# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	§	Chapter 11
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FIELDWOOD ENERGY LLC, et al.,	§	Case No. 20-33948 (MI)
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Debtors. <sup>1</sup>	§	(Jointly Administered)
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# PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER (I) CONFIRMING SEVENTH AMENDED JOINT CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF FIELDWOOD ENERGY LLC AND ITS AFFILIATED DEBTORS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF<sup>2</sup>

WHEREAS, Fieldwood Energy LLC ("FWE") and each of its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), as "proponents of the plan" within the meaning of section 1129 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), filed the Seventh Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors, dated June 24, 2021 (ECF No. 1716) (including any exhibits and schedules thereto as may be further amended, supplemented, or modified, the "Plan") and the Disclosure Statement for Fourth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors, April 15, 2021 (ECF No. 1285) (the "Disclosure Statement");<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are: Dynamic Offshore Resources NS, LLC (0158); Fieldwood Energy LLC (6778); Fieldwood Energy Inc. (4991); Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC (4494); Fieldwood Onshore LLC (3489); Fieldwood SD Offshore LLC (8786); Fieldwood Offshore LLC (2930); FW GOM Pipeline, Inc. (8440); GOM Shelf LLC (8107); Bandon Oil and Gas GP, LLC (9172); Bandon Oil and Gas, LP (9266); Fieldwood Energy SP LLC (1971); Galveston Bay Pipeline LLC (5703); and Galveston Bay Processing LLC (0422). The Debtors' primary mailing address is 2000 W. Sam Houston Parkway S., Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77042.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This Order remains subject to the review of the Debtors, the RSA parties, and other stakeholders, including, the review and comment of the Required DIP Lenders and Requisite FLTL Lenders. All rights are reserved.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Plan, a copy of which is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**. Any term used in the Plan or this order (the "**Order**") that is not

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2021, after due and proper notice and a hearing, the Bankruptcy Court entered the Amended Order (I) Approving Disclosure Statement and Form and Manner of Notice of Disclosure Statement Hearing; (II) Establishing Solicitation and Voting Procedures; (III) Scheduling Confirmation Hearing; (IV) Establishing Notice and Objection Procedures for Confirmation of the Proposed Plan; (V) Approving Notice and Objection Procedures for the Assumption of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; (VI) Approving Procedures for Objections to the Assignment and Transfer of Property of the Estate; and (VII) Granting Related Relief (ECF No. 1286) (together with any schedules and exhibits thereto, the "Disclosure Statement Order"), which, pursuant to sections 105, 365, 1125, 1126, 1128, and 1145 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 3001, 3003, 3016, 3017, 3018, 3020, 6004, and 9006, and Rules 2002-1 and 3016-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the 'Local Rules'), among other things, (i) approved the Disclosure Statement, (ii) established solicitation and voting procedures, (iii) established notice and objection procedures in respect of confirmation of the Plan, including the form and method of notice of the hearing to consider confirmation of the Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing"), and (iv) established procedures for the assumption and rejection of executory contracts and unexpired leases under the Plan;

WHEREAS, the Debtors filed and served the Notice of Entry of Amended Order
(I) Approving Disclosure Statement and Form and Manner of Notice of Disclosure Statement
Hearing; (II) Establishing Solicitation and Voting Procedures; (III) Scheduling Confirmation

a copy of which is annexed hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>. Any term used in the Plan or this order (the "**Order**") that is not defined in the Plan or this Order, but that is used in the Bankruptcy Code or the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**") shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, as applicable.

Hearing; (IV) Establishing Notice and Objection Procedures for Confirmation of the Proposed Plan; (V) Approving Notice and Objection Procedures for the Assumption of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; (VI) Approving Procedures for Objections to the Assignment and Transfer of Property of the Estate; and (VII) Granting Related Relief (ECF No. 1290) (the "Confirmation Hearing Notice") on April 15, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Disclosure Statement Order, the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court set the voting deadline for the Plan at June 2, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Central Time) (the "**Voting Deadline**") and the deadline to file an objection to confirmation of the Plan at June 2, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Central Time) (the "**Plan Objection Deadline**");

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2021, the Debtors caused to be transmitted (i) as to holders of Claims in Class 1 (Other Secured Claims), Class 3 (FLFO Claims), Class 4 (FLTL Claims), Class 5 (SLTL Claims), Class 6A (Unsecured Trade Claims), and Class 6B (General Unsecured Claims) entitled to vote on the Proposed Plan: (a) the Confirmation Hearing Notice; (b) a USB flash drive containing the Disclosure Statement, the Plan, and the Disclosure Statement Order; (c) an appropriate ballot, substantially in the form annexed to the Disclosure Statement Order as Exhibits 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 (a "Ballot"), as applicable; and (d) a postage-prepaid return envelope (all of the foregoing, collectively, the "Solicitation Packages"); and (ii) as to holders of Class 2 (Priority Non-Tax Claims), Class 8 (Subordinated Securities Claims) and Class 10 (Existing Equity Interests), (a) the Confirmation Hearing Notice; and (b) a notice of non-voting status (a "Notice of Non-Voting Status") in the form annexed to the Disclosure Statement Order as Exhibit 8, as set forth in the Affidavit of Service (ECF No. 1309) executed by Alex Orchowski of the Debtors' Court-appointed claims and noticing agent, Prime Clerk, LLC (the "Solicitation")

Plan Administrator Agreement; (v) the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement; (vi) the NewCo Organizational Documents; (vii) the Apache Definitive Documents; (viii) the First Lien Exit Facility Credit Agreement; (ix) the Second Lien Exit Facility Credit Agreement; (x) the New Money Warrant Agreement; (xi) the GUC/SLTL Form Warrant Agreement; (xii) the Chevron Definitive Documents; (xiii) the Eni Definitive Documents; (xiv) the Hunt Term Sheet; and (xv) the Oil and Gas Lease Schedules;

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2021, the Debtors filed the Notice of Filing of Second Amended Plan Supplement in Connection with Fourth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1587) (the "Second Amended Plan Supplement"); the Notice of Filing of Third Amended Plan Supplement in Connection with Fifth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1642) (the "Third Amended Plan Supplement"); and the Notice of Filing of Fourth Amended Plan Supplement in Connection with Fifth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1645) (the "Fourth Amended Plan Supplement" and, together with the Plan Supplement, First Amended Plan Supplement, Second Amended Plan Supplement, and the Third Amended Plan Supplement, and any future supplements thereto the "Plan Supplements"), which included the following documents: (i) the Required Disclosures Under Section 1129(a)(5); (ii) the NewCo Organizational Documents; (iii) the New Intercreditor Agreement; (iv) the GUC/SLTL Form Warrant Agreement; and (v) the Oil and Gas Lease Schedules;

WHEREAS, the Confirmation Hearing was held on June [21–24]25, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the following declarations (collectively, the "**Declarations**") were filed in support of confirmation of the Plan and were admitted into evidence at the Confirmation Hearing:

- i. Declaration of Alex Orchowski of Prime Clerk LLC Regarding Solicitation of Votes and Tabulation of Ballots Cast on the Fourth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1521) (the "Voting Declaration");
- ii. Declaration of John-Paul Hanson in Support of Confirmation of the Debtors' Fourth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1556) (the 'Hanson Declaration'); and
- iii. Declaration of Marc J. Brown in Support of Debtors' Fourth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Fieldwood Energy LLC and its Affiliated Debtors (ECF No. 1555) (the 'Brown Declaration').

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the Hanson Declaration, the Brown Declaration, the Voting Declaration, the record of the Confirmation Hearing, including all the evidence proffered or adduced, and the arguments of counsel made, at the Confirmation Hearing, and the entire record of the Chapter 11 Cases (as defined herein); and after due deliberation thereon and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

### IT IS HEREBY FOUND AND DETERMINED THAT:

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. <u>Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law</u>. The findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth herein, together with the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth in the record of the Confirmation Hearing, constitute the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

- B. Exclusive Jurisdiction; Venue; Core Proceeding (28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(2), 1334(a)). The Bankruptcy Court has jurisdiction over the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. Venue is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. Confirmation of the Plan is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(2)(L), and other findings and orders contained herein are also core proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 157(b)(2) and the Bankruptcy Court has exclusive jurisdiction to determine whether the Plan complies with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and should be confirmed. The Debtors consent to the entry of a final order by the Bankruptcy Court in accordance with the terms set forth herein to the extent that it is later determined that the Bankruptcy Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution. The Debtors are eligible debtors under section 109 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are proper plan proponents under section 1121(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- C. <u>Chapter 11 Petitions</u>. On August 3, 2020 and August 4, 2020, as applicable, (the "**Petition Date**"), each Debtor commenced with this <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court a voluntary case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "**Chapter 11 Cases**"). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases. The Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases are being jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b).
- D. <u>The Creditors' Committee</u>. On August 18, 2020, the United States Trustee for Region 7 (the "**U.S. Trustee**") appointed the Creditors' Committee pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code (ECF No. 183). On January 1, 2021 (ECF No. 744), and again on

February 19, 2021 (ECF No. 895), the U.S. Trustee reconstituted the Creditors' Committee pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code.

- E. Judicial Notice. The Bankruptcy Court takes judicial notice of the docket of the Chapter 11 Cases maintained by the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court and/or its duly-appointed agent, including, without limitation, all pleadings and other documents filed, all orders entered, and the evidence and arguments made, proffered, or adduced at the hearings held before the Bankruptcy Court during the pendency of the Chapter 11 Cases, including, but not limited to, the hearing to consider the adequacy of the Disclosure Statement and all hearings held in the adversary proceedings including the adversary proceeding styled Fieldwood Energy, LLC and GOM Shelf LLC v. Everest Reinsurance Co., Phila. Indem. Ins. Co., HCC Int'l Ins. Co. PLC, Apache Corp., Apache Shelf, Inc., Apache Deepwater LLC, and Apache Shelf Expl. LLC, Ch. 11, Case No. 20-33948, Adv. No. 21-03418 (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2021) (the "Apache/Sureties **Adversary Proceeding**") and the adversary proceeding styled *Fieldwood Energy LLC v. Atlantic* Maritime Services, LLC, Ch. 11, Case No. 20-33948, Adv. No. 20-03476 (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2020) (the "Atlantic Adversary Proceeding"). Any resolution of objections to the confirmation of the Plan explained on the record at the Confirmation Hearing is hereby incorporated by reference.
- F. <u>Burden of Proof.</u> The Debtors have satisfied their burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the Plan satisfies the requirements of section 1129(a) and (b) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- G. <u>Transmittal and Mailing of Materials; Notice</u>. The Solicitation Packages, which were transmitted and served as set forth in the *Affidavit of Service of Solicitation Materials* dated April 23, 2021 (ECF No. 1309-7) have been transmitted and served in compliance with the

- 9. <u>Assumption and Rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases</u>
   11 U.S.C. § 1123(b)(2). Article VIII of the Plan governing the assumption and rejection of executory contracts and unexpired leases satisfies the requirements of section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and is appropriate under section 1123(b)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code.
  - 10. <u>Settlement of Claims and Causes of Action 11 U.S.C. § 1123(b)(3).</u>
- (i) Global Settlement and Compromise. The Plan, including Section 5.1 thereof, incorporates a global settlement and compromise of certain Debtor-creditor and inter-creditor issues (the "Plan Settlement"), among the Debtors, the Consenting Creditors and the Creditors' Committee of claims, Causes of Action and controversies among such parties, including all potential claims, Causes of Action and controversies related to the Challenge Period (as defined in the DIP Order and as modified with respect to the Creditors' Committee pursuant to certain stipulations filed with the Bankruptcy Court) and any Challenge under the DIP Order, and are in consideration of the value provided to the Estates by the Consenting Creditors, including the value being provided to holders of Unsecured Trade Claims and General Unsecured Claims pursuant to Sections 4.6 and 4.7 of the Plan. The Plan is deemed to constitute a motion under section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9019, seeking approval of the Plan Settlement. Entry of this Order constitutes the Bankruptcy Court's approval of the terms of the Plan Settlement that are set forth in the Plan. The settlements and compromises of claims and potential causes of action among the Debtors, the Consenting Creditors and the Creditors' Committee, all as more fully set forth in the Plan and the Disclosure Statement, are integral to the Plan, are reasonable in their terms, are in the bests interests of the Debtors' estates and their creditors, and satisfy the standards for approval under Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and sections 1123(b)(3) and 1123(b)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code. For the avoidance of

Interests). The Plan also leaves unaffected the rights of holders of Claims in Class 2 (Priority Non-Tax Claims), Class 7 (Intercompany Claims) and Class 9 (Intercompany Interests).

- 12. Additional Plan Provisions 11 U.S.C. § 1123(b)(6). The provisions of the Plan are appropriate and not inconsistent with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, thereby satisfying section 1123(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The failure to specifically address a provision of the Bankruptcy Code in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of this Order.
- 13. <u>Debtors Are Not Individuals 11 U.S.C. § 1123(c)</u>. The Debtors are not individuals and, accordingly, section 1123(c) of the Bankruptcy Code is inapplicable to these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 14. <u>Cure of Defaults 11 U.S.C. § 1123(d)</u>. Section 8.2 of the Plan provides for the satisfaction of default claims associated with each executory contract and unexpired lease to be assumed pursuant to the Plan in accordance with section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code. All Cure Amounts will be determined in accordance with the underlying agreements and applicable bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy law. Thus, the Plan complies with section 1123(d) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- L. <u>Debtors' Compliance with Bankruptcy Code 11 U.S.C. § 1129(a)(2)</u>. The Debtors have complied with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, thereby satisfying section 1129(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. Specifically:
  - (i) The Debtors are proper debtors under section 109 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (ii) The Debtors have complied with applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, except as otherwise provided or permitted by orders of this <a href="Bankruptcy">Bankruptcy</a> Court; and

settlement, and injunction provisions, including, without limitation, Section 3.3 and Article X of the Plan, have been negotiated in good faith and at arms' length, consistent with sections 105, 1123(b)(3)(A), 1123(b)(6), 1129, and 1142 of the Bankruptcy Code.

- N. Payments for Services or Costs and Expenses 11 U.S.C. § 1129(a)(4). Any payment made or to be made by any of the Debtors for services or for costs and expenses incurred prior to the Effective Date in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases, or in connection with the Plan and incidental to the Chapter 11 Cases has been approved by, or is subject to the approval of, the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court as reasonable, thereby satisfying section 1129(a)(4) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- O. <u>Directors, Officers and Insiders 11 U.S.C. § 1129(a)(5)</u>. The officers and directors of the Debtors shall be relieved of any and all duties with respect to the Debtors as of the Effective Date of the Plan. Upon and following the Effective Date, the Plan Administrator shall serve as the sole officer, director, or manager of each Post-Effective Date Debtor, other than FW GOM Pipeline, Inc. and GOM Shelf LLC (the "Post-Effective Date FWE I Subsidiaries"). Upon and following the Effective Date, Jon Graham shall serve as the sole officer, director, or manager of each Post-Effective Date FWE I Subsidiary. The identity and affiliations of the person proposed to serve as the initial director and officer of the Post-Effective Date Debtors after confirmation of the Plan has been fully disclosed to the extent such information is available, and the appointment to, or continuance in, such office of such person is consistent with the interests of holders of Claims against and Interests in the Post-Effective Date Debtors and with public policy. The Debtors have complied with section 1129(a)(5) of the Bankruptcy Code.

confirmed notwithstanding the Debtors' failure to satisfy section 1129(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code. Upon confirmation of the Plan and the occurrence of the Effective Date, the Plan shall be binding on the members of Class 1 (Other Secured Claims), Class 6B (General Unsecured Claims), Class 8 (Subordinated Securities Claims), and Class 10 (Existing Equity Interests).

- BB. Only One Plan 11 U.S.C. § 1129(c). Because the Plan is the only chapter 11 plan filed in the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan satisfies section 1129(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- CC. <u>Principal Purpose of the Plan 11 U.S.C. § 1129(d)</u>. Because the principal purpose of the Plan is not the avoidance of taxes or the avoidance of the application of Section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933, the Plan satisfies section 1129(d) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- DD. <u>Small Business Case 11 U.S.C. § 1129(e)</u>. None of these Chapter 11 Cases are a "small business case," as that term is defined in the Bankruptcy Code, and, accordingly, section 1129(e) of the Bankruptcy Code is inapplicable.
- EE. Good Faith Solicitation 11 U.S.C. § 1125(e). Based on the record before the Bankruptcy Court in the Chapter 11 Cases, including evidence presented at the Confirmation Hearing, the Debtors and their directors, officers, employees, members, agents, advisors, and professionals have acted in "good faith" within the meaning of section 1125(e) of the Bankruptcy Code in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and the Disclosure Statement Order in connection with all their respective activities relating to the solicitation of acceptances or rejections of the Plan and their participation in the activities described in section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code, and are entitled to the protections afforded by section 1125(e) of the Bankruptcy Code and the exculpation provisions set forth in Section 10.8 of the Plan.

the Credit Bid Transaction for purposes of funding the Claims Reserve, the Plan Administrator Expense Reserve amount for funding the Plan Administrator expense reserve, and funding the Decommissioning Account (as defined in the Funding Agreement, annexed to the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement) shall be funded free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances or other interests unless expressly provided in the Plan Documents.

NN. <u>Modifications</u>. Following execution, the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement and related agreements, documents or other instruments executed in connection therewith, may be modified, amended or supplemented by the parties thereto, in a writing signed by each party, and in accordance with the terms thereof, without further order of the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court; *provided*, that any such modification, amendment or supplement does not materially change the economic substance of the Credit Bid Transaction.

# **Findings Relating to Plan of Merger**

- OO. <u>Plan of Merger</u>. The Plan of Merger Agreement satisfies the requirement of a plan of merger pursuant to sections 10.002 and 10.003 of the Texas Business Organizations Code (the "**TBOC**") and when executed will have been duly approved as required for purposes of sections 10.001, 10.002 and 10.302 of the TBOC and binding on FWE. FWE III will be a "surviving domestic entity" as used in section 10.008 of the TBOC.
- PP. On the Effective Date, but after the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, pursuant to sections 1123, 1141(b) and 1141(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, in accordance with the Plan of Merger, (i) all FWE Assets will be allocated to and vest in FWE I, FWE III, and any FWE Additional Entity pursuant to the terms of the applicable Plan of Merger, in each case, free and clear of all Liens, Claims, charges, Interests, or other encumbrances, including the Plan of Merger Consent Rights and Plan of

BBB. Implementation. All documents necessary to implement the Plan, including, without limitation, the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement and the other documents contained in the Plan Supplements, and all other relevant and necessary documents have been negotiated in good faith and at arms' length and shall, upon completion of documentation and execution, be valid, binding, and enforceable agreements and not be in conflict with any federal or state law. The Debtors are hereby authorized to complete documentation and execute such documents and take all such further actions as necessary to implement such documents, including the payment of all fees, expenses and other payments in accordance with the terms thereof.

reasonable business judgment in determining whether to assume or reject executory contracts and unexpired leases pursuant to Section 8.1 of the Plan. Each assumption of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to Section 8.1 of the Plan shall be legal, valid, and binding upon the Post-Effective Date Debtors and their successors and assigns and all non-Debtor parties and their successors and assigns to such executory contract or unexpired lease, all to the same extent as if such assumption had been effectuated pursuant to an order of the <a href="Bankruptcy">Bankruptcy</a> Court under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code entered before entry of this Order. Moreover, the Debtors have appropriately cured, or provided adequate assurance that the Debtors, the Credit Bid Purchaser, FWE I, FWE IV, and a FWE Additional Entity, or the Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, will cure, defaults (if any) under or relating to each of the executory contracts and unexpired leases that are being assumed by the Debtors pursuant to the Plan.

DDD. <u>Good Faith</u>. The Debtors, the Creditors Committee, the Consenting Creditors, Apache, the DIP Agent, DIP Lenders, NewCo and all of its subsidiaries (including the Credit Bid Purchasers), the Exit Facility Agents, the Prepetition FLTL Agents, the Exit Facility Lenders, the

Second Lien Backstop Parties, the ERO Backstop Parties and each of their affiliates, each Entity that is a party to an Additional Predecessor Agreement, and each such Entity's and its affiliates respective directors, managers, officers, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), subsidiaries, principals, members, employees, agents, managed accounts or funds, management companies, fund advisors, investment advisors, advisory board members, financial advisors, partners (including both general and limited partners), attorneys, accountants, investment bankers, consultants, representatives and other professionals will be acting in good faith if they proceed to (i) consummate the Plan and the agreements (including the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement and the Plan of Merger), settlements, transactions, and transfers contemplated thereby (including the Credit Bid Transaction), and (ii) take the actions authorized and directed by this Order.

EEE. <u>Conditions Precedent to Effective Date</u>. The Plan shall not become effective unless all conditions set forth in section 9.1 of the Plan have been satisfied or waived pursuant to section 9.2 of the Plan.

FFF. <u>Satisfaction of Confirmation Requirements</u>. The Plan satisfies the requirements for confirmation set forth in section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code.

GGG. <u>Objections</u>. All parties have had a full and fair opportunity to litigate all issues raised, or which might have been raised, in any objection to the Plan, and any such objections have been fully and fairly litigated.

HHH. Retention of Jurisdiction. The Except as set forth in paragraph 149 of this Order, the Bankruptcy Court may, and upon the Effective Date shall, retain exclusive jurisdiction over all matters arising out of, and related to, the Chapter 11 Cases, including the matters set forth in Section 11 of the Plan and section 1142 of the Bankruptcy Code.

the treatment of Claims of any such creditors under the Plan, as modified, is not adverse and, pursuant to Local Rule 3019-1, holders of Claims who voted to accept the solicitation version of the Plan are deemed to accept the Plan as modified.

- 4. Subject to (i) the consent rights set forth in the Restructuring Support Agreement, (ii) the reasonable consent of the Creditors' Committee solely to the extent that it adversely impacts the holders of General Unsecured Claims or Unsecured Trade Claims—or otherwise modifies the terms of the Plan Settlement, and (iii) the reasonable consent of the Prepetition FLFO Administrative Agent, the Plan and Plan Documents—may be amended, modified, or supplemented by the Debtors in the manner provided for by section 1127 of the Bankruptcy Code or as otherwise permitted by law, without additional disclosure pursuant to section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code, except as otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.
- 5. After the Confirmation Date, so long as such action does not materially and adversely affect the treatment of holders of Allowed Claims pursuant to the Plan, the Debtors, with (i) the consent of the Required DIP Lenders, and the Requisite FLTL Lenders, (ii) the reasonable consent of Apache to the extent it directly affects the structure of FWE I outlined in the Apache Term Sheet or the economic treatment of Apache, (iii) the reasonable consent of the Creditors' Committee solely to the extent that it adversely impacts the holders of General Unsecured Claims or Unsecured Trade Claims, and (iv) the reasonable consent of the Prepetition FLFO Administrative Agent, may remedy any defect or omission or reconcile any inconsistencies in the Plan, any Plan Supplement document, any other Plan Document or the or this Order with respect to such matters as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of effects of the Plan, and any holder of a Claim or Interest that has accepted the Plan shall be deemed to have accepted the Plan as amended, modified, or supplemented.

- 6. The Debtors, subject to (i) the consent of the Required DIP Lenders and the Requisite FLTL Lenders and (ii) the applicable consent rights of the Prepetition FLFO Administrative Agent, shall have the right to amend and supplement the documents contained in, and exhibits and schedules to, the Plan Supplements in accordance with the terms of the Plan and the Restructuring Support Agreement or the First Lien Exit Facility Commitment Letter, as applicable, through the Effective Date.
- 7. Before the Effective Date, the Debtors, subject to the consent rights set forth in the Restructuring Support Agreement, may make appropriate technical adjustments and modifications to the Plan without further order or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 8. <u>Objections</u>. All objections to confirmation of the Plan that have not been withdrawn, waived, or settled, and all reservations of rights pertaining to confirmation of the Plan included therein, are overruled on the merits for the reasons stated on the record of the Confirmation Hearing.
- 9. Omission of Reference to Particular Plan Provisions. The failure to specifically describe or include any particular provision of the Plan in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of this <a href="Bankruptcy">Bankruptcy</a> Court that the Plan be approved and confirmed in its entirety.
- 10. <u>Solicitation and Notice</u>. The Confirmation Hearing Notice complied with the terms of the Disclosure Statement Order, was appropriate and satisfactory based on the circumstances of the Chapter 11 Cases, and was in compliance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Bankruptcy Rules. The solicitation of votes on the Plan and the Solicitation Packages complied with the solicitation procedures in the Disclosure Statement Order, were appropriate and satisfactory based upon the circumstances of

Administrative Expense Claims) and Causes of Action without notice to, supervision of or approval by the Bankruptcy Court and free and clear of any restrictions of the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules other than restrictions expressly imposed by the Plan or thethis Order. Without limiting the foregoing, the Post-Effective Date Debtors may pay the charges that they incur on or after the Confirmation Date for Professional Persons' fees, disbursements, expenses, or related support services without application to the Bankruptcy Court, and the Plan Administrator may, consistent with the terms of the Plan, Plan Administrative Agreement, and this Order, pay after the Effective Date the reasonable and necessary expenses in connection with the performance of its duties under the Plan, including the reasonable fees and expenses of professionals retained by the Plan Administrator, whether incurred before or after the Effective Date.

Supplement, or any other implementing or supplementing Plan Documents, the Abandoned Properties and any related facilities, platforms, or other assets (the "Abandoned Assets"), each as determined by the Debtors, shall be abandoned pursuant to the Plan Documents without further notice to or order of the Bankruptcy Court immediately upon the occurrence of the Effective Date pursuant to sections 105(a) and 554 of the Bankruptcy Code and/or deemed rejected pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, as applicable. The Abandoned Assets, including the Abandoned Properties, shall not be allocated to nor vest in the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE IV, any FWE Additional Entity or any NewCo Entity (including, without limitation, the Credit Bid Purchasers). Except as otherwise provided in the Plan Documents, none of the Debtors, their Estates, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE IV, any FWE Additional Entity nor the NewCo Entities (including, without limitation, the Credit Bid

being the intent of this <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court that the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement and each and every provision, term, and condition thereof be authorized and approved in its entirety.

- 16. The Debtors' determination that the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement constitutes the highest and best offer constitutes a valid and sound exercise of the Debtors' business judgment. Approval of the Credit Bid Purchase and the consummation of the Sale Transaction is in the best interests of the Debtors' Estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest.
- 17. The Debtors and the Credit Bid Purchasers are authorized to (a) consummate the Credit Bid Transaction pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, the Plan and this Order, (b) execute, and deliver, perform under, consummate, and implement the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, together with all additional instruments and documents that may be reasonably necessary or desirable to implement the Credit Bid Transaction and (c) to take all further actions as may be reasonably required for the purposes of issuing, assigning, transferring, granting, conveying or conferring to the Credit Bid Purchaser the Credit Bid Acquired Interests and assumption of the Credit Bid Assumed Liabilities or as may be necessary or appropriate to perform the parties' obligations under the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement and the Plan.
- 18. On the Effective Date, pursuant to sections 105, 363, 365, 1123, 1129 and 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code, in accordance with the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, subject to the satisfaction or waiver of all applicable closing conditions under the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, (i) all Credit Bid Acquired Interests shall be transferred to, and the Credit Bid Acquired Interests owned by the Debtors shall vest in the Credit Bid Purchasers, free and clear of all Liens (other than (x) any and all Liens securing the FLFO Claims or the obligations under the First Lien Exit Facility that attach to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests and are retained and

any executory contract or unexpired lease), unless such authorization and consummation of such transactions are duly stayed pending such appeal.

- 23. No bulk sales law or any similar law of any state or other jurisdiction shall apply in any way to the Credit Bid Transaction.
- 24. This Order is binding on all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, registrars of patents, trademarks, or other intellectual property, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal and local officials, and all other Persons and Entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register, or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to any lease ("Recordation Officers"). Except with respect to (x) any and all Liens securing the FLFO Claim or the obligations under the First Lien Exit Facility that attach to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests and are retained and deemed assigned to the First Lien Exit Facility Agent upon the Effective Date to secure the obligations under the First Lien Exit Facility, and (y) all Liens securing the FLTL Claims that attach to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests and are deemed assigned to the Second Lien Exit Facility Agent upon the Effective Date to secure the obligations under the Second Lien Exit Facility, each and every Recordation Officer is authorized, from and after the Effective Date, to strike all Claims, interests, Liens, or other encumbrances in or against the Debtors' assets from their records, official and otherwise, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court or act of any party. Each and every Recordation Officer is authorized (a) to file, record, and/or register any and all documents and instruments presented to consummate or memorialize the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, the Plan and the transactions contemplated thereby (including the deemed

or consents, except for those expressly required pursuant to the Plan. All actions contemplated by the Plan, including all actions in connection with the Plan of Merger and related documents, Exit Facilities, and Equity Rights Offerings, are hereby effective and authorized to be taken on, prior to, or after the Effective Date, as applicable, under this Order, without further application to, or order of this <a href="Bankruptcy">Bankruptcy</a> Court, or further action by the respective officers, directors, managers, members, or equity holders of the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, the Plan Administrator or the NewCo Entities.

- 30. <u>Plan Classification Controlling</u>. The classification of Claims and Interests for purposes of the Distributions to be made under the Plan shall be governed solely by the terms of the Plan. The classifications set forth on the Ballots tendered to or returned by the Debtors' creditors in connection with voting on the Plan (a) were set forth on the Ballots for purposes of voting to accept or reject the Plan, (b) do not necessarily represent, and in no event shall be deemed to modify or otherwise affect, the actual classification of such Claims and Interests under the Plan for Distribution purposes, and (c) shall not be binding on the Debtors.
- 31. <u>Approval of Plan Settlement and Other Settlements</u>. The entry of this Order constitutes this <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court's approval of the terms of the Plan Settlement that are set forth in the Plan and of all other compromises and settlements set forth in the Plan, all of which are in the best interests of the Debtors, their Estates, and holders of Claims and Interests and are fair, equitable, and reasonable.
- 32. <u>Directors and Officers</u>. The officers and directors of the Debtors shall be relieved of any and all duties with respect to the Debtors as of the Effective Date of the Plan. Upon and following the Effective Date, the Plan Administrator shall serve as the sole officer, director, or manager of each Post-Effective Date Debtor, except the Post-Effective Date FWE I Subsidiaries.

The Plan Administrator may also elect such additional manager(s) and officer(s) of each Post-Effective Date Debtor (except the Post-Effective Date FWE I Subsidiaries), as the Plan Administrator deems necessary to implement the Plan and the actions contemplated herein and therein.

- 33. <u>Distributions under the Plan</u>. The provisions of Article VI of the Plan, including, without limitation, the provisions governing Distributions, are fair and reasonable and are approved.
- 34. <u>Disputed Claims</u>. The provisions of Article VII of the Plan, including, without limitation, the provisions governing procedures for resolving Disputed Claims, are fair and reasonable and are approved.
- Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan, each executory contract and unexpired lease to which any of the Debtors are parties shall be deemed automatically rejected pursuant to sections 365 and 1123 of the Bankruptcy Code, unless such executory contract or unexpired lease: (i) was previously assumed or rejected by the Debtors pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court; (ii) previously expired or terminated pursuant to its own terms or by agreement of the parties thereto; (iii) is the subject of a motion to assume filed by the Debtors on or before the Confirmation Date; (iv) is identified in Sections 8.4 or 8.5 of the Plan; or (v) is identified for assumption on the Schedule of Assumed Contracts included in the Plan Supplements, which Schedule of Assumed Contracts will identify executory contracts or unexpired leases for assumption and assignment to the Credit Bid Purchaser in accordance with the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement. In accordance with Section 8.3 of the Plan, any proofs of Claim filed with respect to the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease must be filed with this

Bankruptcy Court and served upon counsel for the Debtors, Post-Effective Date Debtor, or the Plan Administrator, as applicable, by the later of (i) thirty (30) days after the filing and service of the notice of the occurrence of the Effective Date; and (ii) thirty (30) days after entry of an Order rejecting such contract or lease if the contract or lease is the subject of a pending Assumption Dispute.

- 36. The Debtors have cured or demonstrated their ability to cure any default with respect to any act or omission that occurred prior to the Effective Date under any of the executory contracts or unexpired leases proposed to be assumed or assumed and assigned or assumed and allocated, as applicable (collectively, the "Assumed Contracts"), pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, and any Plan of Merger, as applicable, within the meaning of section 365(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, other than with respect to an Assumed Contract that is the subject of an Assumption Dispute (as defined below), the Cure Amounts set forth in the Schedule of Assumed Contracts are the amounts necessary to "cure" all "defaults" within the meaning of section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code under the Assumed Contracts. Other than with respect to an Assumed Contract that is the subject of an Assumption Dispute, the promise by the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE IV, or the Credit Bid Purchaser, as applicable, to perform the obligations under their respective Assumed Contracts after the Effective Date shall constitute adequate assurance of their future performance of and under each of their respective Assumed Contracts within the meaning of sections 365(b)(1) and 365(f)(2), as applicable.
- 37. To the extent an Assumption Dispute relates solely to the Cure Amount or the nature thereof (a "Cure Dispute"), subject to the terms of the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, the Debtors may assume or assume and assign, or assume and allocate the applicable executory

- 40. If there is an Assumption Dispute, the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE IV, or Credit Bid Purchaser, as applicable, reserve and shall have the right to reject or nullify the assumption, assumption and assignment, or assumption and allocation of the applicable executory contract or unexpired lease no later than thirty (30) days after an order of the Bankruptcy Court resolving such Assumption Dispute becomes a Final Order.
- Bankruptcy Court shall constitute approval of the assumptions and assumptions and assignments provided for in the Plan pursuant to sections 365(a) and 1123 of the Bankruptcy Code and a determination by this Bankruptcy Court that the Credit Bid Purchaser, FWE I, FWE IV and/or Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, have provided adequate assurance of future performance under such assumed executory contracts and unexpired leases. In accordance with the Plan, each executory contract and unexpired lease assumed and allocated, or assumed and assigned pursuant to the Plan shall vest in and be fully enforceable by the Credit Bid Purchasers, FWE I, FWE IV, or the Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, in accordance with its terms, except as modified by the provisions of the Plan, any order of this Bankruptcy Court authorizing and providing for its assumption, or applicable law.
- 42. <u>Exit Facilities</u>. On the Effective Date, the applicable NewCo Entities are authorized execute and deliver the Exit Facility Documents and such documents shall become effective in accordance with their terms. On and after the Effective Date, the Exit Facility Documents shall constitute legal, valid, and binding obligations of the applicable NewCo Entities and be enforceable in accordance with their respective terms and such obligations shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination under applicable law, the Plan or this Order, and the Credit Bid Purchaser shall be

tax, use tax or other similar tax or governmental assessment. This Order is and shall be binding upon and shall govern the acts of all entities, including without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal, state, and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required, by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register, or otherwise record or release any document or instrument without requiring the payment of any filing or recording fees, documentary stamp tax, document recording tax, deed stamps, stamp tax, conveyance fee or other similar tax, mortgage tax, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax, sales tax, use tax, transfer tax, intangible tax or similar tax or governmental assessment.

- 56. Term of Injunctions or Stays. Unless otherwise provided in the Plan or in this Order, all injunctions or stays arising under or entered during the Chapter 11 Cases under section 105 or 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise, and in existence on the Confirmation Date, shall remain in full force and effect until the later of the Effective Date and the date indicated in the order providing for such injunction or stay.
- 57. Releases, Exculpation, Injunction. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3020(c)(1), the following provisions in the Plan are hereby approved and will be immediately effective on the Effective Date without further order or action by the Bankruptcy Court, any of the parties to such releases, or any other Entity: (a) Release of Liens (Section 10.7(c)), (b) Debtor Release (Section 10.7(a)), (c) Third-Party Release (Section 10.7(b)), (d) CUSA Party Release (Section 10.7(d)), (e) CUSA-Release Party Release (Section 10.7(e)), (f) Exculpation (Section 10.8), and (g) Injunction (Section 10.9).

- 58. Restructuring Expenses. The Restructuring Expenses incurred, or estimated to be incurred, up to and including the Effective Date shall be paid in full in Cash by the Debtors on the Effective Date (to the extent not previously paid prior to or during the course of the Chapter 11 Cases) without the requirement to file a fee application with the Bankruptcy Court and without any requirement for review or approval by the Bankruptcy Court or any other party. All Restructuring Expenses to be paid on the Effective Date shall be estimated prior to and as of the Effective Date and such estimates shall be delivered to the Debtors at least three Business Days before the anticipated Effective Date; *provided*, that such estimates shall not be considered an admission or limitation with respect to the fees and expenses of such parties. In addition, the Debtors and the Post-Effective Date Debtors (as applicable) shall continue to pay post-Effective Date, when due and payable in the ordinary course, Restructuring Expenses related to implementation, consummation and defense of the Plan, whether incurred before, on, or after the Effective Date, to the extent expressly provided for under the Plan, and for which funds have been allocated to the Post-Effective Date Debtors under the Plan for such purposes.
- 59. <u>Cortland</u>. Nothing in the Plan or this Order shall, or shall be deemed, to waive or release the obligations of the Prepetition SLTL Lenders to the Prepetition SLTL Administrative Agent pursuant to the documents executed in connection with the Prepetition SLTL Loans, including, without limitation, the Prepetition SLTL Credit Agreement.
- 60. <u>Anadarko</u>. The following agreements related to Anadarko U.S. Offshore LLC, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, and Anadarko E&P Company (collectively, and along with affiliates and predecessors in interest, "**Anadarko**") shall be assumed and assigned or allocated to the entities identified in the Debtors' schedule of assumed contracts (as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time, the "Schedule of Assumed Contracts") annexed as <u>Exhibit A</u> to

the Notice of Filing of Amended Schedule of Assumed Contracts and Cure Amounts filed on June 2, 2021 as ECF No. 1456, consistent with the Letter Agreement and subject to the amendments set forth and referenced therein: (i) Joint Operating Agreement covering all of Green Canyon Block 768, effective February 1, 2004, by and between Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Corporation and Fieldwood Energy LLC, as successor in interest to Noble Energy Inc. (as amended, and including all exhibits and related agreements, the "JOA"); and (ii) Production Handling Agreement dated effective January 1, 2006 by and between Anadarko and Fieldwood governing the hydrocarbon and water production from the Ticonderoga Field, as therein defined (the "PHA"). Further, consistent with the Letter Agreement (defined below) and subject to the amendments set forth and referenced in the Letter Agreement (a) the Lease of Platform Space Agreement Main Pass 289C Field Platform, originally dated November 29, 2001, originally by and between Apache Corporation and Vastar Resources, Inc. et. al. as amended (the "LOPS Agreement") shall be assumed and allocated to FWE I; and (b) the Letter Agreement Re: Ticonderoga (GC 768) and MP 289C, dated June of 2021, by and between Anadarko and Fieldwood Energy LLC (the "Letter Agreement"), to the extent related to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests, shall be assumed and assigned to the Credit Bid Purchaser, and to the extent related to interests allocated to FWE I, shall be assumed and allocated to FWE I.

Agreement shall be \$2,231,025.42 (the "Anadarko Cure Amount"). The Cure Amount for the Letter Agreement shall be \$0. To the extent the Schedule of Assumed Contracts identifies agreements with Anadarko other than the agreements specifically identified herein, such agreements shall also be assumed in accordance with the Plan, *provided*, that the Debtors shall not be required to pay any cure amount with respect to such agreements other than the Anadarko

Cure Amount; *provided, further*, that Anadarko expressly agrees that the Debtors have provided adequate assurance of future performance with respect to the JOA, the PHA, the LOPS Agreement, the Letter Agreement, and any other contract assumed by the Debtors pursuant to the Plan. The Debtors may amend the Schedule of Assumed Contracts consistent with the terms of these paragraphs 5760 and 5861.

- 62. Nothing within the Plan or Order constitutes a transfer of title and/or ownership or operatorship of any of the Abandoned Properties to Anadarko. Anadarko's rights, claims, defenses, and interests, if any, including, but not limited to, security interests, bonds, security rights, contract rights, setoff and recoupment rights, indemnification rights, and subrogation rights, against non-Debtor parties (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests, in each case except with respect to any right, claim, or interest arising under an Anadarko agreement assumed and assigned or allocated to any NewCo Entity (which are hereby expressly reserved)), including, without limitation, predecessors and any other co-liable or jointly and severally liable parties, under operating agreements, other contracts, and applicable law are hereby reserved. For the avoidance of doubt, Anadarko shall not be a "Releasing Party" under the Plan. Nothing within the Plan or Order shall create or vest in any entity, including the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE IV, or the NewCo Entities, any rights or claims against Anadarko that do not otherwise exist under applicable law or agreement, including, without limitation any rights or claims pursuant to any contracts or agreements being assumed and assigned or assumed and allocated to such entities.
- 63. Other than the claims preserved and allowed under this Stipulation, any Proofs of Claim filed by Anadarko shall be deemed withdrawn as of the Effective Date of the Debtors' Plan.

the Debtors shall pay any valid amounts then due and owing, in full, as would be necessary to satisfy any and all obligations, if any, to Ridgewood Katmai, LLC ("Ridgewood") and ILX Prospect Katmai, LLC ("Katmai") under the GC 40 UOA to effectuate such assumption and assignment and the Credit Bid Purchaser shall assume Fieldwood's obligations under the GC 40 UOA, including any indemnification and reimbursement obligations that may arise from the alleged liens and claims of, among others, Atlantic Maritime Services, LLC's alleged liens, claims and litigation against Fieldwood Energy LLC and, among others, Ridgewood and Katmai in this Bankruptcy Court and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana. Nothing herein shall be deemed an admission by any party that any such liens and claims asserted against Fieldwood Energy LLC are valid or enforceable.

- 67. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Order, the Plan, and the Plan Documents, all rights with respect to any security interests granted by Fieldwood to Ridgewood and Katmai under the GC 40 UOA shall be reserved.
- 68. Houston Energy Deepwater Ventures I, LLC and Red Willow Offshore, LLC.

  Upon assumption and assignment of the (a) Joint Operating Agreements to which Houston

  Energy Deepwater Ventures I, LLC ("HEDV") and Red Willow Offshore, LLC ("RWO") and
  one or more of Debtors are parties (the "MC 519 JOAs")<sup>4</sup>; (b) the Galapagos Area Loop Subsea

  Production System Operating Agreement dated effective December 1, 2011 and last amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Including but not limited to: Offshore Operating Agreement dated effective January 1, 2009, originally by and between Noble Energy, Inc. (as predecessor in interest of Fieldwood), as Operator, and BP, Red Willow and HE&D Offshore, L.P., as Non-Operators, as amended by that certain First Amendment of the Unit Operating Agreement and Establishment of Lease Offshore Operating Agreements, dated effective as of October 10, 2014, by and among BP, Red Willow, HEDV, Noble Energy, Inc., Deep Gulf Energy III, LLC, Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC and ILX Prospect South Santa Cruz, LLC and by that certain Second Amendment of the Offshore Operating Agreement, dated effective as of October 15, 2018, by and among BP, Red Willow, HEDV and Fieldwood, and by that certain Santiago / Santa Cruz Joint Operating Agreement made effective as of May 1, 2019 by and among Fieldwood, Red Willow and HEDV.

effective May 1, 2019 (the "LSPS OA"); and (c) the Na Kika Production Handling Agreement, dated effective as of September 21, 2010 (the "PHA" and, together with the MC 519 JOAs and the LSPS OA, the "HEDV/RWO Agreements") to the Credit Bid Purchaser, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, on the Effective Date, the Debtors shall pay any valid amounts then due and owing, in full, as would be necessary to satisfy any and all obligations, if any, to HEDV and RWO under the HEDV/RWO Agreements to effectuate such assumption and assignment, and the Credit Bid Purchaser shall assume Fieldwood's obligations under the HEDV/RWO Agreements. including any indemnification and reimbursement obligations that may arise from the alleged liens and claims of, among others, Atlantic Maritime Services, LLC's alleged liens, claims and potential litigation against Fieldwood Energy LLC and, among others, HEDV and RWO in this Bankruptcy Court and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana. Nothing herein shall be deemed an admission by any party that any such liens and claims asserted against Fieldwood Energy LLC are valid or enforceable.

69. Treatment With Respect to Seitel Data, Ltd. All Executory Contracts, including, but not limited to, all Master Licensing Agreements and all supplements, amendments, schedules and attachments thereto (collectively, the "Seitel Agreements") between any of the Debtors, on the one hand, and Seitel Data, Ltd., Seitel Offshore Corp., and other affiliates (collectively, "Seitel"), on the other hand, shall be and hereby are rejected pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code as of the date of entry of this Order. To the extent necessary, the automatic stay under Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code is hereby modified to permit the termination of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This paragraph 68 is subject to continued review and sign off by the Debtors and HEDV and RWO and the consent rights of certain parties in interest, with all rights reserved.

the Seitel Agreements. The Post-Effective Date Debtors and/or the Plan Administrator shall comply with all confidentiality provisions, destruction of data and verification of destruction of data provisions required by the Seitel Agreements.

70. WesternGeco. Nothing in the Plan, Plan Supplements, any Schedule of Assumed Contracts, any Cure Notice or this Order shall be construed as authorizing, permitting, causing or resulting in: (i) the transfer of any seismic, geological or geophysical data, derivatives or interpretations thereof, or intellectual property (collectively the "Materials") owned by WesternGeco LLC, or its affiliates ("WesternGeco"); or (ii) the assumption, assumption and assignment, rejection, modification or release (including with respect to any change of ownership or control provisions) of any master license agreement, license agreement and/or supplemental or related agreements between WesternGeco and any Debtor (the "WesternGeco Agreements"), which such assumption or assumption and assignment, rejection, modification, or release, if any, is subject to either a stipulation between the Debtors and WesternGeco or subsequent court order after notice to WesternGeco, as applicable, and an opportunity to respond; provided, however that the Debtors and Credit Bid Purchaser are authorized to continue operating under the WesternGeco Agreements in the ordinary course of business until the earliest of (i) £12:00 p.m. on July 14, 2021, or such later date as may be agreed between the Credit Bid Purchaser and WesternGeco; provided, however, that the Debtors and WesternGeco shall use their best efforts to reach an agreement regarding the treatment of the WesternGeco Agreements by June 30, 2021, and (ii) the date such agreements are deemed assumed, assumed and assigned, rejected, modified or released, in which case, the order authorizing such assumption, assumption and assignment, rejection, modification, or release, when final, shall govern with respect to all matters provided for therein; provided further that all rights and defenses of the Debtors, Credit

Bid Purchaser, and WesternGeco under non-bankruptcy and bankruptcy law, and all objections of WesternGeco (and the Debtors' and Credit Bid Purchaser's rights and defenses with respect thereto) regarding assumption or assumption and assignment (including all rights and defenses under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and with respect to the validity and enforceability of change of ownership and control provisions), are reserved and preserved with respect to such WesternGeco Agreements. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding section 8.1(a) of the Plan, the WesternGeco Agreements shall not be deemed rejected upon the occurrence of the Effective Date. 16

- 71. TGS. On the Effective Date, the Debtors will assume and assign to the Credit Bid Purchaser that certain Master License Agreement No. HL0713-200 for Geophysical and Geological Data dated July 1, 2013 ("MLA") and all supplementary agreements, appendices, addenda, and other ancillary documents thereto (collectively the "Assigned Agreements"). The total stipulated Cure Amount to be paid for the Assigned Agreements (the "TGS Cure Amount") is set forth in that certain Letter Agreement dated June 14, 2021 between TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company ASA, TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company, and A2D Technologies, Inc. d/b/a TGS Geological Products and Services ("TGS") and the Debtors. The Debtors shall not be required to pay any Cure Amount with respect to the Assigned Agreements other than the TGS Cure Amount, and TGS expressly agrees that the Debtors have provided adequate assurance of future performance with respect to the Assigned Agreements.
- 72. <u>Valero</u>. Notwithstanding anything contrary in this Order or the Plan, nothing in this Order or the Plan impairs or otherwise affects Valero's ability to assert a valid defensive

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This paragraph 70 is subject to continued review and sign off by the Debtors, the WesternGeco and the consent rights of certain parties in interest, with all rights reserved.

setoff or recoupment right and affirmative defense, if any, as provided under applicable law, with respect to the claims asserted (to the extent such claims exist) in the adversary proceeding styled *In re: Fieldwood Energy LLC, et. al Fieldwood Energy LLC v. Valero Marketing and Supply Company* (Adversary Case No. 20-03497); *provided, however*, that such valid defensive setoff and/or affirmative defense may not result in any net payment obligations to Valero; *provided, further*, that nothing herein limits or restricts Valero's right to assert a general unsecured claim.

- Energy Transfer. Energy Transfer's valid setoff or recoupment rights, if any, with respect to the \$1.125 million in cash deposits posted by Fieldwood Energy LLC prepetition and currently held by Energy Transfer (the "Energy Transfer Cash Deposit") are preserved pending resolution of Energy Transfer's Assumption Dispute with the Debtors, which shall be adjourned pursuant to ¶ 38 of this Order; *provided*, that, the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, or the Credit Bid Purchaser, as applicable, reserve all rights and defenses with respect to the Energy Transfer Cash Deposit, including the right to challenge the validity of any rights to setoff or recoupment asserted by Energy Transfer in connection therewith.
- 74. <u>RLI</u>. RLI Insurance Company's rights, including but not limited to security interests, security rights, contract rights, valid setoff and recoupment rights, contribution rights, and subrogation rights, against non-Debtors (other than with respect to the Released Parties or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests) under surety bonds, operating agreements, other contracts, and applicable law are hereby reserved.
- 75. Nothing in the Plan or this Confirmation Order shall modify or impair the rights and interests of RLI Insurance Company in the Panaco East Breaks Escrow Account Escrow and Security Agreement dated October 29, 1999 (the "Panaco Escrow Agreement") and the approximately \$8.25 million presently held in an escrow account titled

- deemed made on the date payment is issued; (b) all distributions shall be delivered to the post office box on the first page of the LDR's applicable proofs of claim; (c) no distribution owed to the LDR, regardless of amount, shall revert to the Post-Effective Date Debtors or their successors or assigns as unclaimed property; and (d) Section 6.10 of the Plan (*De Minimis* Cash Distributions) shall not apply to LDR's Allowed Claims;
- vii. with respect to any pre-petition tax return filed after the bar date for Governmental Units, for which the LDR has filed an estimated Claim prior to such bar date, the LDR shall be permitted to amend the applicable proof of Claim after the Effective Date without the permission of this <a href="Bankruptcy">Bankruptcy</a> Court, the Debtors, or any other party in interest; and
- viii. the Debtors and the Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, shall not be excused from any obligation under applicable Louisiana state law to timely submit returns (including any delinquent returns), which returns shall be filed by the later of (i) 90 days after the Effective Date or (ii) the applicable due date under Louisiana law, and shall remit payment of taxes in the ordinary course of business.
- 79. Apache. FWE shall pay up to \$5.5 million (the "Apache Fee Cap") of reasonable and documented fees and expenses of Apache related to the formation of FWE I and FWE's restructuring, including the negotiation and preparation of the Apache Definitive Documents (collectively, the "Apache Fees and Expenses"); provided that amounts paid to Apache on account of the Apache Fees and Expenses shall not be subject to disgorgement unless the transactions contemplated in the Apache Definitive Documents fail to close as a result of Apache's breach of the Restructuring Support Agreement. Any Apache Fees and Expenses in excess of the Apache Fee Cap shall be the sole responsibility of FWE I.
- 80. The Prepetition FLFO Lenders, Prepetition FLTL Lenders, and Prepetition SLTL Lenders shall, simultaneously with the execution and delivery of the Apache Definitive Documents (to occur no later than the Effective Date) and the creation of FWE I LLC pursuant to the Apache Definitive Documents, be deemed to release (and/or cause the applicable administrative agent or collateral agent to release) all liens and encumbrances on, interests in,

and claims against the Legacy Apache Properties (as defined in the Apache Term Sheet) and the other FWE I Assets (as defined in Part A of Schedule I to the Plan of Merger) and the Consenting Creditors (as defined in the Apache Implementation Agreement (as may be amended from time to time)) shall release the Apache PSA Parties from any and all causes of action and claims of any kind related to the Legacy Apache Properties arising prior to the Effective Date. From the time of the entry of thethis Order to the Effective Date, Debtors shall not cause, permit or otherwise allow the creation of new liens (contractual or statutory) against the Legacy Apache Properties or the other FWE I Assets except for tax liens which arise by operation of law for taxes not yet due and payable, nor shall the Prepetition FLFO Lenders, Prepetition FLTL Lenders, and Prepetition SLTL Lenders consent to same.

and FWE III, respectively, pursuant to the transactions contemplated by and in accordance with the Plan of Merger (the "Divisive Merger"), including contracts, leases, oil and gas leases and assets constituting real property interests (including all fee surface interests in land, surface leases, easements, rights of way, servitudes, licenses, franchises, road, railroad, and other surface use permits or agreements), except as otherwise provided in this Order, shall be (a) free and clear of (i) any right of consent, notice, and other similar rights, if any, that are applicable to the vesting of the assets in connection with the Divisive Merger (such rights, the "Consent Rights") and (ii) all preferential purchase rights, rights of first refusal, drag-along rights, tag-along rights, and other similar rights, if any, that are applicable to the vesting of the assets in connection with the Divisive Merger (such rights, the "Preferential Purchase Rights"), but (b) subject to and burdened by (x) the liabilities and obligations allocated to and vested in, respectively, FWE I or FWE III, as specified in the Plan of Merger, pursuant to the Divisive Merger (collectively,

"Allocated Obligations") and (y) Permitted Post-Closing Liens (as defined in the Schedule of Defined Terms for Required Confirmation Order Provisions, attached to the Apache Implementation Agreement as **Exhibit B**).

- 82. All Entities (as defined under section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code) or Parties that fail to timely file an objection are (a) forever barred from objecting to the allocation and vesting of the assets in connection with the Divisive Merger free and clear of all Consent Rights and Preferential Purchase Rights, and all other persons are forever barred from asserting any alleged Consent Rights or Preferential Purchase Rights with respect to the Divisive Merger, and (b) deemed to consent to and approve the allocation and vesting of the assets free and clear of all Consent Rights and Preferential Purchase Rights, regardless of whether such consent must be in writing pursuant to the terms of any agreement. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or this Order with respect to the Released Parties (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests, in each case with respect to any right, claim, or interest arising under an agreement assumed and assigned or allocated to any NewCo Entity under which FWE I is a party (which right, claim, or interest is hereby expressly reserved)), nothing herein shall affect or be deemed to restrict or limit Apache's or FWE I's claims for or rights to seek payments or contribution from, and any defenses against, current or prior working interest owners, predecessors, co-owners and/or operators, or from any other parties that are contractually, legally, regulatorily or equitably liable for decommissioning or related obligations with respect to the Legacy Apache Properties and FWE I Assets.
- 83. Subject to a cap of \$300,000, (the "**Apache Implementation Costs Cap**") which amount shall be funded by FWE III as an Administrative Expense Claim no later than twenty-one (21) days after the Effective Date, FWE III shall, and shall cause its debtor affiliates in the

above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases to, on the Effective Date, provide for the payment of any and all documentary, filing, recording, stamp, and registration fees, costs, taxes, and expenses (including all reasonable and documented attorneys' fees and regulatory consultant fees) incurred or imposed after the Effective Time (as defined in the Plan of Merger) in connection with the filing of record by or on behalf of FWE I or GOM Shelf LLC of any instrument or instruments with the appropriate records office of any county, parish, state, federal, or other governmental unit (including the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ("BOEM")) that may be required in connection with the implementation of the Divisive Merger or that either FWE I or GOM Shelf LLC determines in its respective sole discretion to be necessary or appropriate to reflect in the appropriate records of any governmental unit that as a result of the Divisive Merger (a) ownership of the FWE I Assets have been allocated to and are vested in FWE I (and to the extent appropriate to reflect ownership of the GOM Shelf Properties (as defined in the Plan of Merger) in GOM Shelf LLC), and (b) the Allocated Obligations have been allocated to and vested in, and constitute liabilities and obligations of, FWE I and FWE III, respectively (collectively, the "Apache Implementation Costs"). For the avoidance of doubt, the documentary, filing, recording, stamp, and registration fees of FWE I or GOM Shelf LLC, shall include such costs and expenses required to file or to cause to be filed of record in the records office, as determined by Apache to be appropriate, of any county, parish, state, federal, or other governmental unit (including BOEM) of the mortgages, security interests and similar security documentation as is contemplated by the Standby Loan Agreement and the Standby Credit Facility Documents to secure the obligations of FWE I and GOM Shelf LLC thereunder. Any Apache Implementation Costs that exceed the Apache Implementation Costs Cap shall be the sole responsibility of and paid for by FWE I.

- Agreement is an executory contract, it will be assumed, with the consent of the Apache PSA Parties, by the Fieldwood PSA Parties and, upon consummation of the transactions provided for in the Plan of Merger, become the obligation of FWE I. Upon execution of the Apache Definitive Documents, including, without limitation the granting of liens to Apache on the FWE I assets contemplated thereunder, the Debtors will be deemed to have cured all defaults existing under the Decommissioning Agreement as of the Effective Date (the "Apache Cure") and no third party, including, without limitation, the Apache Sureties, may raise any defense to payment under the Apache Surety Bonds or letters of credit, in each case constituting Decommissioning Security, based on the agreement reached between the Debtors and Apache as to the Apache Cure.
- Agreement against GOM Shelf LLC and FWE I following the Divisive Merger (which agreement shall be allocated to FWE I and GOM Shelf LLC under the Divisive Merger), (b) the Plan, (c) thethis Order, and (d) the obligations contemplated by the Apache Definitive Documents, the Apache PSA Parties shall be deemed Releasing Parties (as defined in the Plan) under the Plan and waive and release any and all pre-Effective Date claims of any kind (including, without limitation, the Apache Audit Claims, the Apache Trust A Claims and any claims that could qualify as administrative expense claims) against the Debtors, their estates and any other Released Party in all circumstances only to the extent such claims accrued on or prior to the Effective Date and only to the extent such releases do not impair the Decommissioning Security, or Apache's ability to draw on the Decommissioning Security in any respect. For the avoidance of doubt, any and all claims the Apache PSA Parties may have against FWE I related

to the Decommissioning Agreement arising post-Effective Date and any security obtained, provided, or pledged in connection with the Decommissioning Agreement (the 'Decommissioning Security') will be preserved.

- Agreement against the Apache PSA Parties following the Divisive Merger, (b) the Plan, (c) thethis Order, and (d) the obligations contemplated by the Apache Definitive Documents, the Debtors shall waive and release any and all pre-Effective Date claims of any kind against the Apache PSA Parties, in all circumstances only to the extent such claims accrued on or prior to the Effective Date. For the avoidance of doubt, any and all claims FWE I may have against the Apache PSA Parties related to the Decommissioning Agreement arising post-Effective Date and the Decommissioning Security will be preserved.
- All rights of the Apache PSA Parties with respect to bonds and letters of credit constituting security for decommissioning of the assets held by the GOM Shelf LLC or allocated to and vested in FWE I, including, without limitation, the Decommissioning Security shall be preserved as against such bonding companies and letter of credit issuers in all respects. The Debtors shall not terminate any bonds issued on behalf of the Debtors relating to the Legacy Apache Properties under which any federal, state or local governmental entity is an obligee.

  Except as otherwise provided in the Plan Documents, Everest reserves all rights regarding all bonds for which it issued to obligees other than Apache. For avoidance of doubt, Everest Bond No. ES00001441 in favor of Apache, as obligee, is expressly an Apache Surety Bond and subject to the Apache-Surety Term Sheet.
- 88. With respect to the agreements and memberships relating, in whole or in part, to well containment/control, clean-up of spills, or other pollution, or the gathering of data relating

consummation of the Plan of Merger, without further notice to or action, order, or approval of this Bankruptcy Court and without the need for any further corporate or shareholder action, to enter into, deliver, and fully perform its obligations under the Apache Definitive Documents, including without limitation, the Standby Credit Facility Documents. Upon entry of thethis Order, FWE I or the Sole Manager, as applicable, shall be authorized and empowered, without further approval of the Bankruptcy Court or any other party, to take such actions and perform such acts as may be necessary, convenient, desirable, or appropriate to execute and deliver the Apache Definitive Documents in accordance with the Plan and to execute and deliver all documents relating thereto and to perform all of their obligations thereunder. On the Effective Date, the Apache Definitive Documents shall constitute legal, valid, binding, and authorized obligations of FWE I, enforceable in accordance with their terms, and such obligations of FWE I shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination by FWE I or the Post-Effective Date Debtors under applicable law, the Plan, or thethis Order. On the Effective Date, all liens granted pursuant to, or in connection with, the Apache Definitive Documents shall be deemed granted by FWE I pursuant to the Apache Definitive Documents. On the Effective Date, all liens granted pursuant to, or in connection with Apache Definitive Documents, as applicable, (i) shall be valid, binding, perfected, enforceable liens in the property subject to a security interest granted by FWE I pursuant to the Apache Definitive Documents, as applicable, with the priorities established in respect thereof under applicable non-bankruptcy law and the Apache Definitive Documents, including, but not limited to, the Mortgages, Security Agreement or Standby Loan Agreement and (ii) shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination by FWE I under applicable law, the Plan, or thethis Order. For the avoidance of claims of the Apache Sureties set forth in the Apache-Surety Term Sheet shall be treated pursuant to the Apache-Surety Term Sheet.

97. [Non-Apache Sureties Claims. Unless expressly provided to the contrary Nothing in the Plan <del>Documents, nothing inor this Order and the Plan, including any release, injunction, or</del> exculpation provisions, shall or shall be deemed to: (a) adjudicate or modify the rights of any obligees (the "Obligees") or surety providers (other than, solely in their capacity as such, the sureties y providers that issued bonds in favor of Apache and are parties to the Apache-Surety Sureties Term Sheet (, such surety providers the "Apache Sureties" and all other surety providers, the "Non-Apache Sureties") as between the Non-Apache Sureties Obligee and the Obligees Non-Apache Surety under any surety bonds issued by the Sureties on behalf of the Debtors, their non-Debtor affiliates, or otherwise (the "Non-Apache Term Sheet Surety **Bonds**") or under applicable law; (b) require the Non-Apache Sureties to issue any new surety bonds or extensions or renewals of the Non-Apache Term Sheet Surety Bonds; (c) bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish or. Other than Sections 5.13, 10.6, 10.7, 10.8, and 10.9 of the Plan, nothing in the Plan or this Order bars, impairs, enjoins, releases, alters, diminishes or enlarges any of the rights or defenses of the Non-Apache Sureties (other than a Releasing Party) against any non-Debtor Entity (other than with respect to the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE III, FWE IV, or any NewCo Entity, or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests, in each case except with respect to any right arising under an agreement assumed and assigned to any NewCo Entity), including, but not limited to, any predecessors in interest or co-working interest parties with respect to any of the Debtors' assets. For the avoidance of doubt, the Non-Apache Sureties shall not be entitled, under any circumstances, to claim a right of subrogation against the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, any FWE Additional Entity or NewCo and its

subsidiaries (including Credit Bid Purchasers), unless such subrogation rights, if any, relate to obligations that both (x) accrue post-Effective Date and (y) arise from post-Effective Date activity and, with respect NewCo and its subsidiaries (including Credit Bid Purchasers), relates to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests.]

- <u>98.</u> <u>Nothing in this Order or the Plan shall require the Non-Apache Sureties to issue any new surety bonds or extensions or renewals of the Non-Apache Term Sheet Surety Bonds.</u>
- 99. 98. For the avoidance of doubt, no Non-Apache Term Sheet Surety Bond under which a Debtor is the principal is being assumed, assumed and/or\_assigned-and/or, or assumed and allocated to any entity under the Plan or the Plan Documents, including Credit Bid Purchaser, FWE I, FWE III and/or FWE IV.

99. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Order or the Plan shall bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish or enlarge any of the Non-Apache Sureties' subrogation rights, if any, other than those subrogation rights that arose on or before the Effective Date and those subrogation rights described in section 5.13(a) of the Plan, which such pre-Effective Date subrogation rights shall be addressed under the Plan.

100. Nothing in this Confirmation Order and/or the Plan shall, or be deemed to: bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish, or in any way affect or impact the regulatory authority of BOEM and/or BSEEthe Government, including with respect to the security and bonding requirements for owners and operators of oil and gas assets in the Gulf of Mexico. BOEM and BSEEThe Government maintains theirits full regulatory authority to require that FWE I, Credit Bid Purchaser and/or any other entities being created under the Plan post security and bonding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> These paragraphs 97–99 are subject to continued review and sign off by the Debtors and Non-Apache Sureties and the consent rights of certain parties in interest, with all rights reserved.

under the applicable regulations, and this Confirmation Order and/or Plan in no way purports to infringe upon those rights. To the extent BOEM and/or BSEEthe Government requires any such security and/or bonding consistent with law and regulations, the respective entity will obtain the required bonding, including any required supplemental bonding.

- 101. <u>CUSA</u>. Chevron U.S.A. Inc., its parent and affiliates, including Noble Energy, Inc., Union Oil Company of California, Unocal Pipeline Company and Texaco Inc. (such parent and affiliates, together with CUSA, individually each a "CUSA Entity" and collectively the "CUSA Entities") shall not be deemed to be a "Released Party" or a "Releasing Party" as such terms are defined in the Plan. For the avoidance of doubt, other than set forth expressly in the Plan, no CUSA Entity has waived or released, or shall be deemed to have waived or released, any claim, including but not limited to any and all claims under the Bankruptcy Code, the Chevron Claims, and any and all claims related to or arising under the CUSA Implementation Agreement or the CUSA Definitive Documents, *provided* any such claims shall receive the applicable treatment set forth in the Plan. Nothing within the Plan or Order constitutes a transfer of title and/or ownership or operatorship of any of the Abandoned Properties to CUSA Entities.
- 102. Upon effectiveness of the CUSA Definitive Documents, pursuant to Section 8 of the CUSA Implementation Agreement, the Debtors shall be deemed to have waived any and all prepetition claims or causes of action against any of the CUSA Entities. Each CUSA Party shall be an "Exculpated Party" as such term is defined in the Plan (to the maximum extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Court).
- 103. FWE's assets to be allocated to, possessed by, assumed by, and vested in FWE I and FWE III, respectively, pursuant to the transactions contemplated by and in accordance with the Initial Plan of Merger (the 'Initial Divisive Merger'), including contracts, permits, leases,

and vested in, respectively, FWE III or FWE IV, as specified in the FWE III Plan of Merger (such liability and obligations allocated to and vested in FWE IV, the 'FWE IV Allocated **Obligations**"). The reorganization of FWE in accordance with the Plan, including the creation of FWE IV pursuant to a divisive merger and its formation under the Fieldwood Energy IV LLC Agreement, does not give the CUSA Entities control over FWE IV in any manner that would be recognized under the Securities Act of 1934, the Bankruptcy Code, or any other applicable law; and none of the terms of the CUSA Definitive Documents, including consent rights granted to the CUSA Entities thereunder, cause the CUSA Entities to have any such control over FWE IV. Nothing in the Plan or this Order shall be deemed to: (a) adjudicate or modify the rights between the CUSA Entities and their sureties under any CUSA Entities' bonds or under applicable law (as between CUSA Entities and the Sureties); (b) bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish, or enlarge any of the rights or defenses of such sureties against any non-Debtors (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests); or (c) constitute a waiver or release of any rights or defenses that the sureties hold against non-Debtor Parties (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests.

105. Entities (as defined under section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code) or parties that fail to timely file an objection asserting a FWE IV Consent Right or FWE IV Preferential Purchase Right are (a) forever barred from objecting to the allocation and vesting of the assets in connection with the FWE III Plan of Merger free and clear of all FWE IV Consent Rights and FWE IV Preferential Purchase Rights, and from asserting any alleged FWE IV Consent Rights or FWE IV Preferential Purchase Rights with respect to the FWE III Plan of Merger, and (b) deemed to consent to and approve the allocation and vesting of the assets free and clear of all FWE IV Consent Rights and FWE IV Preferential Purchase Rights, regardless of whether such

107. All rights of any applicable CUSA Entity <u>and/or other obligee</u> with respect to bonds and letters of credit constituting security for the decommissioning of the assets allocated to and vested in FWE IV shall be reserved as against such bonding companies and letter of credit issuers in all respects. The Debtors shall not terminate any bonds issued on behalf of the Debtors relating to such FWE IV assets under which any federal, state or local governmental entity is an obligee.

108. The Bankruptcy Court (i) approves the CUSA Implementation Agreement and Definitive Documents and all transactions contemplated by this such Aagreements, including the FWE III Plan of Merger, and all actions to be taken, undertakings to be made, and obligations to be incurred by FWE III or FWE IV, as applicable, contemplated thereby; and (ii) following the consummation of the FWE III Plan of Merger, authorizes FWE III or FWE IV, as applicable, without further notice to or action, order, or approval of this Bankruptcy Court and without the need for any further corporate or shareholder action, to enter into, deliver, and fully perform their obligations under the CUSA Implementation Agreement and CUSA Definitive Documents. Upon entry of thethis Order, FWE III or FWE IV, as applicable, shall be authorized and empowered, without further approval of the Bankruptcy Court or any other party, to take such actions and perform such acts as may be necessary, convenient, desirable, or appropriate to execute and deliver the CUSA Definitive Documents in accordance with the Plan and to execute and deliver all documents relating thereto and to perform all of their obligations thereunder. On the Effective Date, the CUSA Definitive Documents shall constitute legal, valid, binding, and authorized obligations of FWE III or FWE IV, as applicable, enforceable in accordance with their terms, and such obligations of FWE III or FWE IV, as applicable, shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination by

FWE III, FWE IV, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, or the Plan Administrator, under applicable law, the Plan, or the this Order.

- 109. <u>Cures.</u> In accordance with the Plan, the Debtors or Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, shall be responsible for paying any Cure Amounts associated with the contracts assumed by the Debtors and allocated to FWE IV pursuant to the FWE III Plan of Merger. Notwithstanding anything in the Plan Supplements (ECF No. 1394) with respect to the Schedule of Assumed Contracts and Cure Amounts (or any subsequent schedules and notices with respect to assumed or assumed and assigned contracts and corresponding cure costs, including, without limitation, ECF Nos. 1395 and 1456) to the contrary, only the contracts to be assumed and allocated to FWE IV under the Plan of Merger shall be so assumed and allocated thereto.
- 110. Murrayfield and Emory Peak. Notwithstanding anything in the Plan or this Order to the contrary, any overriding royalty interests, mortgages, memorandums of understanding and/or UCC-1s related to security documents associated with (x) that certain Joint Operating Agreement by and between Chevron U.S.A. Inc. and Fieldwood Energy LLC, dated July 1, 2019 (as amended) or (y) that certain Joint Operating Agreement by and among Chevron U.S.A. Inc., Fieldwood Energy LLC and Ridgewood Castle Rock, LLC, dated as of August 1, 2019 (as amended), that are being assumed and assigned to Credit Bid Purchaser in connection with Murrayfield and Emory Peak, shall be Credit Bid Permitted Encumbrances and shall continue in full force and effect following the Effective Date and such assumption and assignment to Credit Bid Purchaser.
- 111. <u>Eni.</u> On the Effective Date, FWE shall have withdrawn as operator of the interests of the Debtors in the oil and gas leases (the "**Eni Specified Interests**") set forth on

Exhibit C to that certain Eni Term Sheet Implementation Agreement (the "Eni Implementation Agreement") immediately prior to their abandonment pursuant to the Plan.

- 112. On the Effective Date, FWE III shall reimburse Eni for reasonable and documented legal fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases in the amount of \$1.5 million. Additionally, on the Effective Date, FWE III shall pay \$3 million in cash to Eni to be used in connection with Actual Decommissioning Costs (as defined in the Turnkey Removal Agreement) not covered by the proceeds of Performance Bond No. 2196705 by and between Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC ("FEO") as Principal, North American Specialty Insurance Company ("NAS") as Surety, and Eni as Obligee (the "NAS Bond").
- 113. On the Effective Date, FWE III shall provide for the payment of any and all documentary, filing, recording, stamp, and registration fees, costs, and expenses incurred in connection with any required filing of record by or on behalf of FWE III of any instrument or instruments with the appropriate records office of any county, parish, state, federal, or other governmental unit (including BOEM) that may be required in connection with the FWE III Plan of Merger as it relates to the Eni Specified Assets<sup>8</sup> or incurred in connection with the satisfaction of the Regulatory Condition.
- 114. Immediately upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, FEO's interests in the Specified Assets shall be abandoned by FEO pursuant to section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan, and thethis Order. For the avoidance of doubt, upon abandonment of the Eni Specified Assets, no funds shall have been allocated to FEO to perform or satisfy any plugging, abandonment, or decommissioning obligations associated with the Eni Specified Assets and FEO

Efor purposes of this Order, the term "Eni Specified Assets" shall refer and have the meaning ascribed to the term "Specified Assets" as such term is defined in the Eni Implementation Agreement.

acknowledges it will be in default of such decommissioning obligations. Any Debtor which previously owned or operated an Eni Specified Asset shall appoint FWE III as its agent to perform the Agreed Activities (as defined in that certain Turnkey Removal Agreement attached to the Eni Implementation Agreement as **Exhibit B** (the "**Eni Turnkey Agreement**")) and the Initial Safe Out (as defined in the Eni Turnkey Agreement) work, and, subject to the commencement triggers set forth in the Eni Turnkey Agreement, FWE III shall be authorized and empowered by Eni to be its decommissioning agent in relation to the Eni Specified Assets. For the avoidance of doubt, the Eni Definitive Documents (as defined in the Eni Implementation Agreement) shall be included within the definition of Additional Predecessor Agreement Documents provided in the Plan.

Plan, (ii) thethis Order, and (iii) the obligations contemplated by the Eni Definitive Documents (as defined in the Eni Implementation Agreement), Eni shall be deemed a Releasing Party (without submitting a ballot(s) to accept the Plan) against all Released Parties other than FEO and its Estate under the Plan for all purposes thereunder, and shall waive and release any and all pre-Effective Date claims of any kind against the Debtors, their Estates and any other Released Party, other than FEO and its Estate, including, without limitation, the Eni Claims (as defined in the Eni Implementation Agreement) and any claims for administrative expense under sections 503(b) or 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code; *provided, however*, that, upon the occurrence of (i) the Effective Date and (ii) effectiveness of the Eni Definitive Documents, notwithstanding Section 4(e) of the Eni Implementation Agreement, Eni shall be deemed to have an Allowed Class 6B General Unsecured Claim in an amount equal to the aggregate sum of the Eni Net Turnkey Amounts for the Decommissioning Projects (each as defined in the Eni Turnkey

Agreement). Except as otherwise provided for hereunder with respect to the Released Parties (under and as defined in the Plan other than Apache and FEO and its Estate), nothing herein shall affect or be deemed to restrict or limit Eni's claims for or rights to seek payments or contribution from current or prior working interest owners, predecessors, co-owners and/or operators, or from any other parties that are contractually, legally, regulatorily or equitably liable for decommissioning or related obligations, including obligations under surety bonds, letters of credit or other instruments relating thereto, with respect to the Eni Specified Assets.

- 116. On the Effective Date, except for the rights and remedies to enforce (i) the Plan, (ii) thethis Order, and (iii) the obligations contemplated by this Agreement or the Eni Definitive Documents, the Debtors shall waive and release any and all pre-Effective Date claims of any kind against Eni (including, for the avoidance of doubt, each of Eni's affiliates and each of their and their affiliates' current and former directors, managers, officers, equity holders, predecessors, successors, and assigns, subsidiaries, and each of their current and former officers, members, managers, directors, equity holders, principals, members, employees, or other agents, in each case, in their capacities as such), in all circumstances only to the extent such claims accrued on or prior to the Effective Date.
- 117. All rights of Eni with respect to bonds and letters of credit constituting security for the decommissioning of the assets associated with the Eni Specified Assets shall be reserved as against such bonding companies and letter of credit issuers in all respects. The Debtors shall not terminate any bonds issued on behalf of the Debtors relating to such Eni Specified Assets under which any federal, state or local governmental entity is an obligee.
- 118. The Bankruptcy Court (i) approves the Eni Definitive Documents and all transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all actions to be taken, undertakings to be

made, and obligations to be incurred by the parties thereto; (ii) following the consummation of the Initial Plan of Merger, authorizes FWE III, without further notice to or action, order, or approval of this Bankruptcy Court and without the need for any further corporate or shareholder action, to enter into, deliver, and fully perform their obligations under the Eni Definitive Documents; and (iii) finds that the parties' entry into the Eni Definitive Documents and the implementation of the transactions contemplated therein shall not impair Eni's right and ability to draw on Performance Bond No. 2196705 by and between FEO as Principal, NAS as Surety, and Eni as Obligee, and shall not impair NAS's defenses to such draw. The terms of the NAS Bond shall not be altered in any manner. Neither the Plan, this Order, nor any of the transactions contemplated or effectuated under the Plan, purport to alter or modify the rights of Eni or NAS, as between each other, under the NAS Bond. Upon entry of thethis Order, FWE III shall be authorized and empowered, without further approval of the Bankruptcy Court or any other party, to take such actions and perform such acts as may be necessary, convenient, desirable, or appropriate to execute and deliver the Eni Definitive Documents in accordance with the Plan and Order and to execute and deliver all documents relating thereto and to perform all of their obligations thereunder. On the Effective Date, the Eni Definitive Documents shall constitute legal, valid, binding, and authorized obligations of FWE III enforceable in accordance with their terms, and such obligations of FWE III shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination by FWE III, the Post- Effective Date Debtors, or the Plan Administrator, under applicable law, the Plan, or thethis Order.

119. <u>Hunt</u>. That certain Turnkey Removal Agreement by and among Hunt Oil Company ("**Hunt**") and Fieldwood Energy LLC ("**Hunt Turnkey Agreement**") (ECF No. [ ]) and all transactions contemplated therein and all actions to be taken, undertakings to be made,

and obligations to be incurred by the parties thereto, including the allocation of properties to FWE III contemplated therein, are approved without further notice to or action, order, or approval of this Bankruptcy Court and without the need for any further corporate or shareholder action, to enter into, deliver, and fully perform their obligations under the Hunt Turnkey Agreement.

120. Through the divisive merger transactions contemplated in the Plan, the rights, title and interests of a Debtor or a Post-Effective Date Debtor in the properties described in the Hunt Turnkey Agreement shall be allocated to and vested in FWE III and the applicable documents in the Plan Supplement shall be amended, revised or conformed accordingly to effectuate such allocation of properties.

Effective Date, except for the rights and remedies of Hunt to enforce (i) the Plan, (ii) the Confirmationthis Order, and (iii) the obligations contemplated in the Hunt Turnkey Agreement, each of the Hunt Released Parties (as defined below) (1) releases any claims for administrative expense under sections 503(b) or 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code; (2) shall be deemed a Releasing Party under the Plan but only as to any pre-Effective Date claims as against the following Persons only, each in their capacity as such: (a) the DIP Agent and DIP Lenders under the DIP Facility, (b) the Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties, (c) the Consenting Creditors, (d) Prepetition FLFO Collateral Agent, (e) the Prepetition FLTL Agents, (f) the Prepetition SLTL Agent, (g) NewCo and all of its subsidiaries (including the Credit Bid Purchasers), (h) the Exit Facility Agents, (i) the Exit Facility Lenders, (j) the Second Lien Backstop Parties, (k) the ERO Backstop Parties, with respect to each of the foregoing Persons in clauses (a) through (k), in each case solely in their capacity as such, (l) with respect to each of the foregoing Persons in clauses

the Plan as against any Releasing Party other than the Hunt Non-Debtor Released Parties (each in its capacity as a Releasing Party under the Plan).

- Date Debtors (including FWE III) and Credit Bid Purchaser shall be authorized and empowered, without further approval of the Bankruptcy Court or any other party, to take such actions and perform such acts as may be necessary, convenient, desirable, or appropriate to execute and deliver the Hunt Turnkey Agreement and to execute and deliver all documents relating thereto and to perform all of their obligations thereunder; such obligations shall not be enjoined or subject to discharge, impairment, release, avoidance, recharacterization, or subordination by FWE III, the Post-Effective Date Debtors, or the Plan Administrator, under applicable law, the Plan, or the Confirmationthis Order.
- Debtor Released Parties, nothing herein shall affect or be deemed to restrict or limit each of the Hunt Released Parties' claims for or rights to seek payments or contribution from and any defenses against current or prior working interest owners, predecessors, co-owners and/or operators, or from any other parties that are contractually, legally, regulatorily or equitably liable for decommissioning or related obligations, including obligations under surety bonds, letters of credit or other instruments relating thereto. For the avoidance of doubt, the Hunt Turnkey Agreements and any documents executed in connection therewith shall be included within the definition of Additional Predecessor Agreement Documents provided in the Plan.
- 125. Any and all rights of Hunt Group, the Debtors, the Post-Effective Date Debtors (including FWE III), Credit Bid Purchaser and any Governmental Unit with respect to bonds and letters of credit constituting security for the decommissioning of the properties

associated with the Hunt Turnkey Agreement shall be reserved as against such bonding companies and letter of credit issuers in all respects.

- deemed to have an Allowed Class 6B General Unsecured Claim in the amount of \$22,770,453. Prime Clerk, the Debtors' claims and noticing agent, is authorized and instructed to update the claims register in this case to include the claim allowed herein. Hunt may elect in its unfettered discretion to forfeit or waive the claim allowed herein (or any recoveries on account of such claim), or to assign such claim to an affiliate, for any reason or for no reason, by providing written notice to the Plan Administrator under the Plan.
- 127. <u>XTO</u>. The terms of this paragraph shall apply to the Exxon/XTO Entities and the Executory Contracts identified on the Schedule of Assumed Contracts between any of the Debtors and any one or more of the Exxon/XTO Entities (the "Exxon/XTO Executory"):
  - i. This Confirmation Order shall not be, and shall not be construed as, a determination of the cure amount or compensation, if any, required to satisfy the provisions of sections 365(b)(1)(A) and 365(b)(1)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code for the assumption of the Exxon/XTO Executory Contracts (the "Exxon/XTO Cure Amount").
  - ii. The Debtors, and (a) the Post-Effective Debtors, (b) FWE I, (c) any FWE Additional Entity, or (d) the Credit Bid Purchaser, (each an "Applicable Contract Entity"), and the Exxon/XTO Entities shall endeavor in good faith to reach agreement as to the Exxon/XTO Cure Amount within one hundred twenty (120) days following the Effective Date (subject to extension upon mutual agreement of the parties), and if such an agreement is reached, the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>96</sup> As used herein, the term "Exxon/XTO Entities" shall collectively mean XTO Energy, Inc., XTO Offshore, Inc., HHE Energy Company, XH, LLC, ExxonMobil Corporation, ExxonMobil Production Company, ExxonMobil Pipeline Company, ExxonMobil Oil Supply, Exxon Mobil Exploration Company, Exxon Corporation, Exxon Company, USA, Mobil Oil Corporation, Mobil Exploration Company, Inc., Mobil Exploration & Producing U.S., Inc., Mobil Producing Texas & New Mexico, Inc., Second Mobil Oil Company, Inc., Mobil Oil Exploration and Producing Southeast, Inc., as well as any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of any of said parties. The term "Exxon/XTO Entity" shall refer singularly to any of the Exxon/XTO Entities that are a party to a particular Exxon/ETO Executory Contract.

Debtors or Applicable Contract Entity, as applicable, and applicable Exxon/XTO Entity, shall file a stipulation with the Bankruptcy Court setting forth (i) the agreed Exxon/XTO Cure Amount, and (ii) providing for payment of such Exxon/XTO Cure Amount by the Applicable Contract Entity as a condition to the assumption and assignment of such Exxon/XTO Executory If the Debtors or Applicable Contract Entity and applicable Exxon/XTO Entity fail to reach agreement as to the Exxon/XTO Cure Amount within such one hundred twenty (120) day period (or upon the expiry of any extension thereof), the Debtors, proposed Applicable Contract Entity or applicable Exxon/XTO Entity may, on notice to the proposed Applicable Contract Entity or applicable Exxon/XTO Entity, request a hearing before the Bankruptcy Court for the determination of the Exxon/XTO Cure Amount. For purposes of determining the Exxon/XTO Cure Amount, the effective date of assumption shall be the Petition Date. Each Exxon/XTO Cure Amount shall be due and payable by the Debtors or the Applicable Contract Entity as set forth in the Plan, regardless of whether the Claims Reserve provided under Section 5.14 of the Plan for payment of cure claims is sufficiently funded.

- Executory Contracts that have been assumed, assumed and assigned or assumed and allocated shall be deemed to be Allowed Administrative Expense Claims based on a liability incurred by the Debtors in the ordinary course of their business for which no request for allowance of an administrative claim shall be necessary, as contemplated in Section 2.1 of the Plan. However, in the event the Debtors or the Applicable Contract Entity, as applicable, and the applicable Exxon/XTO Entity, are unable to agree on the amount of the Allowed Administrative Claim held by the Exxon/XTO Entity, either party may apply to the Bankruptcy Court for a review and determination thereof.
- iv. To the extent that an Exxon/XTO Executory Contract is assumed, assumed and assigned or assumed and allocated, such assumption or assumption and assignment or assumption and allocation shall result in the full release and satisfaction of only those Claims based on a default existing as of the Petition Date with respect to such Exxon/XTO Executory Contract. For the avoidance of doubt, the Plan and this Order shall not alter any of the terms under the Exxon/XTO Executory Contracts.
- v. The assumption, assumption and assignment, or assumption and allocation of any Exxon/XTO Executory Contract shall not alter any of the parties' respective rights and obligations under the Exxon/XTO Executory Contracts, including, without limitation, any valid netting (either based on setoff or recoupment), under the Exxon/XTO Executory Contracts and pursuant to applicable law (unless inconsistent with the applicable Exxon/XTO Executory Contract).

- vi. The bar date for the Exxon/XTO Entities to file a claim based on the rejection of any executory contracts or unexpired leases between the Debtors and the Exxon/XTO Entities shall be the later of: (a) forty-five (45) days after the filing and service of the notice of the Effective Date, or (b) forty-five (45) days after entry of any order rejecting such executory contract or unexpired lease with the Exxon/XTO Entities. Claims based on the rejection of any executory contracts or unexpired leases between the Debtors and the Exxon/XTO Entities shall be treated as a Class 6B General Unsecured Claim under the Plan.
- vii. Any Claim for rejection damages arising from rejection of any executory contracts or unexpired leases between the Debtors and the Exxon/XTO Entities (if any) are reserved for further hearing.
- 128. The Exxon/XTO Entities have opted out of all third-party releases contained in the Plan and this Order.
- effect upon or in any manner alter or impair the rights of XTO Offshore, Inc., HHE Energy Company, and XH, LLC (collectively the "Exxon/XTO Bond Entities"), as the obligees, or RLI Insurance Company ("RLI") or Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ("Liberty") as sureties (together, the "XTO Sureties"), as between the Exxon/XTO Bond Entities and XTO Sureties under (i) Performance Bond No.RLB0013981 (the "RLB Bond") issued pursuant to the Purchase and Sale Agreement dated effective as of August 1, 2011 ("Dynamic PSA") among Dynamic Offshore Resources, LLC, as principal, the Exxon/XTO Bond Entities as the obligees, and RLI as surety, or (ii) Performance Bond No. 022220643 (the "Liberty Bond"), among Fieldwood Energy LLC, as principal, XH, LLC, as obligee, and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ("Liberty Insurance"), as surety, issued pursuant to the agreement pursuant to which Fieldwood Energy LLC acquired XH, LLC assets from Apache Corporation on September 30, 2013 (the "Fieldwood Agreement").

- Bonds") shall not be altered in any manner, and the rights of the Exxon/XTO Bond Entities and the XTO Sureties pursuant to the Exxon/XTO Bonds, Dynamic PSA, and Fieldwood Agreement, as applicable, and as between each other, shall be unaffected by the Plan and this Confirmation Order.
- 131. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, nothing in the Plan or this Order shall preclude the Exxon/XTO Bond Entities from giving any notice to, or making any demand upon, the principal on any of the Exxon/XTO Bonds to the extent required by the terms of any of the Exxon/XTO Bonds, the Dynamic PSA, or the Fieldwood Agreement.
- 132. Nothing in the Plan or Confirmation Order shall be deemed to: (a) adjudicate or modify the rights between the Exxon/XTO Bond Entities and the XTO Sureties under the Exxon/XTO Bonds or under applicable law; (b) bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish or enlarge any of the rights or defenses of the XTO Sureties against any non-Debtors (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests); or (c) constitute a waiver or release of any rights or defenses that the XTO Sureties hold against any non-Debtor Parties (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests). 140
- 133. <u>BP</u>. The terms of this paragraph shall apply to the BP Entities and the Executory Contracts identified on the Schedule of Assumed Contracts between any of the Debtors and any BP Entity (the "BP Executory Contracts"):
  - i. This Confirmation Order shall not be, and shall not be construed as, a determination of the cure amount or compensation, if any, required to satisfy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> These paragraphs 129–32 are subject to continued review and sign off by the Debtors and XTO and the consent rights of certain parties in interest, with all rights reserved.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The BP Entities include BP Exploration & Production Inc. and BP American Production Company, together with their successors and assigns.

- the provisions of sections 365(b)(1)(A) and 365(b)(1)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code for the assumption of the BP Executory Contracts (the "**BP Cure Amount**").
- ii. To the extent that a BP Executory Contract is assumed, assumed and assigned or assumed and allocated, such assumption or assumption and assignment or assumption and allocation shall result in the full release and satisfaction of only those Claims based on a default existing as of the Effective Date with respect to such BP Executory Contract. For the avoidance of doubt, the Plan and this Order shall not alter any of the terms under the BP Executory Contracts including, without limitation, any arbitration rights or any valid netting (either based on setoff or recoupment).
- iii. The assumption, assumption and assignment, or assumption and allocation of any BP Executory Contract shall not alter, impair or otherwise affect any of the parties' respective rights and obligations under the BP Executory Contracts, including, without limitation, any valid netting (either based on setoff or recoupment) under the BP Executory Contracts and pursuant to applicable law (unless it is inconsistent with the applicable BP Executory Contract); and any rights for arbitration.
- iv. The bar date for the BP Entities to file a claim based on the rejection of any executory contracts or unexpired leases between the Debtors and the BP Entities shall be the later of: (a) forty-five (45) days after the filing and service of the notice of the Effective Date, or (b) forty-five (45) days after entry of any order rejecting such executory contract or unexpired lease with the BP Entities. Claims based on the rejection of any executory contracts or unexpired leases between the Debtors and the BP Entities shall be treated as a Class 6B General Unsecured Claim under the Plan.
- 134. The BP Entities have opted out of all third-party releases contained in the Plan and this Order.
- 135. <u>BP and RLI</u>. Neither the Plan nor this Order shall have any effect upon or in any manner alter or impair the rights (as against the sureties) of the BP Entities or other beneficiaries and obliges under (i) Performance Bond No. RLB0001509 (the "Panaco/RLI Bond") among Panaco, Inc., as principal, BP as the obligee, and RLI, as surety, or (ii) Supplemental Bond No. SUR24000026 (the "Tronshore Bond No. 1"), among Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC, as principal, BOEM, as obligee, and Inonshore Indemnity Inc. ("Tronshore Indemnity" and,

together with RLI, the "**BP Sureties**"), as surety; or (iii) Supplemental Bond No. SUR24000027 (the "**Ironshore Bond No. 2**"), among Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC, as principal, BOEM, as obligee, and Inonshore Indemnity, as surety.

- No. 2 (the "**BP Bonds**") shall not be altered in any manner, and the rights of the BP Entities and BP Sureties, as between each other, pursuant to the Panaco/RLI Bond, Ironshore Bond No. 1, and Ironshore Bond No. 2, as applicable, shall be unaffected by the Plan and this Confirmation Order.
- 137. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, nothing in the Plan or this Order shall preclude the BP Entities from giving any notice to, or making any demand upon, the principal on any of the BP Bonds to the extent required by the terms of any of the BP Bonds or any agreements relating thereto.
- 138. Nothing in the Plan or Confirmation Order shall be deemed to: (a) adjudicate or modify the rights between the BP Entities and the BP Sureties under the BP Bonds or under applicable law; (b) bar, impair, enjoin, release, alter, diminish or enlarge any of the rights or defenses of the BP Sureties against any non-Debtors (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests); or (c) constitute a waiver or release of any rights or defenses that the BP Sureties hold against any non-Debtor Parties (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests).
- No. 1149839, issued by Lexon Insurance Company to Fieldwood Energy LLC, as obligee, on which Northstar Offshore Ventures LLC (formerly, now Sanare Energy Partners LLC) is the principal ("VR 196 Bond"). To the extent permitted under the VR 196 Bond and any related

10069), the WD 103 F Platform located in WD Block 103, any oil and gas wells located on the WD 103-F Platform, and any associated pipelines, rights-of-way, or any other fixtures or infrastructure associated with any of the foregoing (collectively the "WD 103-F Platform Interests", and such abandoned interests being the "WD 103-F Platform Abandoned **Interests**"), from and after the Effective Date and until the termination or expiration of such interests, the designated operator or its agent (the "Designated Operator") of the WD 103-F Platform Abandoned Interests will periodically determine the difference between (i) the revenues attributable to the WD 103-F Platform Abandoned Interests over the relevant period and (ii) any costs and expenses attributable to the WD 103-F Platform Abandoned Interests over the same relevant period (the "WD 103 Net Cash Amount") and, to the extent such WD 103 Net Cash Amount is positive, such amount will be credited to a suspense account that will be applied exclusively to satisfy all costs and expenses related to the plugging and abandonment and decommissioning obligations attributable to the WD 103-F Platform Abandoned Interests ("WD 103-F Platform Suspense Account") and to the extent such WD 103 Net Cash Amount is negative, such amounts will be debited from the WD 103-F Platform Suspense Account. From and after the Effective Date, on a bi-annual basis, the Designated Operator will provide a written report to Japex (U.S.) Corp. specifying the balance in the WD 103-F Platform Suspense Account, together with accounting data in support of such balance.

144. <u>LLOG</u>. The Debtors and LLOG Exploration Offshore LLC ("**LLOG**") agree to adjourn the issues raised by LLOG in its objection to the Plan (ECF No. 1481) to a later date to be agreed by the parties. A hearing to consider the extent, validity, seniority\_and enforceability of LLOG's secured claim in and to the overriding royalty interest in Green Canyon Block 201 ("GC 201 ORRI") will be held by the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court fon or before July 158, 2021].

Notwithstanding section 8.1(a) of the Plan, that certain Offshore Operating Agreement dated December 12, 2002 (as ratified and amended, the "LLOG Operating Agreement") shall not be deemed rejected upon the occurrence of the Effective Date and the Debtors reserve the right to seek to assume the LLOG Operating Agreement to the extent that the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court determines that LLOG holds a valid and enforceable lien in the GC 201 ORRI.

McMoRan, W&T, Merit, COPC, Cox Entities, Shell and Hess. The rights of 145. McMoRan; W&T; Merit Energy Company, Merit Management Partners I, L.P, Merit Management Partners II, L.P., Merit Management Partners III, L.P., Merit Energy Partners III, L.P. MEP III GOM, LLC, Merit Energy Partners D-III, L.P., Merit Energy Partners E-III, L.P., Merit Energy Partners F-III, L.P., Devon Energy Production Co. LP., (collectively, "Merit"); ConocoPhillips Company, The Louisiana Land & Exploration Company and Burlington Resources Offshore (collectively, "COPC"); the Cox Entities; Shell Offshore Inc. ("Shell"); and Hess Corporation ("Hess"), including, but not limited to, security interests, security rights, contract rights, setoff and recoupment rights, and subrogation rights, against non-Debtors (other than with respect to any NewCo Entity or any Credit Bid Acquired Interests, in each case except with respect to any right, claim, or interest arising under an agreement assumed and assigned or allocated to any NewCo Entity and with respect to any post Effective Date rights, including subrogation rights, arising out of any post Effective Date operations, ownership, act, event or occurrence with respect to the Credit Bid Acquired Interests) (the prior parenthetical is the "NewCo Carve Out") under operating agreements, other contracts, and applicable law are hereby reserved. Subject to the NewCo Carve Out, nothing contained in the Plan, Confirmation Order, and related exhibits and associated transaction documents shall be deemed or construed to be a release or discharge of any liability or obligations of any third parties to McMoRan, Merit,

W&T, COPC, the Cox Entities, Shell, and Hess, including with respect to decommissioning liabilities of Debtors' predecessors and any other co-liable and/or jointly and severally liable parties with respect to Debtors' assets. McMoRan's, Merit's, W&T's, COPC's, the Cox Entities', Shell's, and Hess's claims and causes of action against any such third parties are hereby reserved. For the avoidance of doubt, McMoRan, W&T, Merit, COPC, the Cox Entities, Shell and/or Hess shall not be "Releasing Parties" under the Plan.

or impair the rights of USSIC, Shell or other beneficiaries and obligees (as between each other) under Performance Bond No. B009344 (the "Shell Bond"), or any agreements relating thereto, among Fieldwood Energy Offshore, LLC, as principal, Shell as the obligee and USSIC as surety. For the avoidance of doubt, USSIC and Shell reserve all rights as between each other under the Shell Bond. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, nothing in the Plan Documents shall preclude Shell from giving any notice to, or making demand upon, the principal on the Shell Bond to the extent required by the terms of the Shell Bond or any agreements relating thereto.

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Executory Contracts identified on the Schedule of Assumed Contracts between any of the Debtors and any Cox Entity (the "Cox Assumed Contracts"). The assumption, assumption and assignment, or assumption and allocation of any Cox Assumed Contract shall not alter, impair or otherwise affect any of the parties' respective rights and obligations under the Cox Assumed Contracts, including, without limitation, any valid netting (either based on setoff or recoupment)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> These paragraphs 146 is subject to continued review and sign off by the Debtors, Shell and the consent rights of certain parties in interest, with all rights reserved.

under the Cox Assumed Contracts or pursuant to applicable law (unless inconsistent with the applicable Cox Assumed Contract); and any rights for arbitration.

eontrolthe role of decommissioning party of the Abandoned Properties that were previously conveyed to the Debtors by Hess and any related facilities that were previously owned by Hess, including but not limited to, any wells, pipelines, or other structures (collectively, the "Hess Abandoned Assets") prior to the expiration of the Transition Period (as defined in section 5.13 of the Plan), the Post-Effective Debtors shall promptly facilitate the safe and orderly transition of the Hess Abandoned Assets to Hess, and cooperate in good faith with Hess to ensure such safe and orderly transition, in compliance with applicable federal law; provided, however, that the Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, shall not be required to conduct activities beyond the scope of the Transition Services and the Agreed Activities with respect to the Hess Abandoned Assets in connection with such election.

149. 148. Governmental Approvals. Except as otherwise expressly provided for or contemplated in the Plan, the Plan Documents, or this Order, and except for any regulatory approvals that might be required by reason of the business conducted by the Post-Effective Date Debtors, FWE I, FWE IV, any FWE Additional Entity, or NewCo and its subsidiaries, this Order shall constitute all approvals and consents required, if any, by the laws, rules, or regulations of any state or any other governmental authority with respect to the implementation or consummation of the Plan and any documents, instruments, or agreements, and any amendments or modifications thereto, and any other acts referred to in or contemplated by the Plan, the Plan Documents, this Order, and the Disclosure Statement, and any documents, instruments, or agreements, and any amendments or modifications thereto. Each federal, state, commonwealth,

local, foreign, or other governmental agency is directed and authorized to accept the validity of (a) any and all documents, trust agreements, mortgages, and instruments, and (b) all actions of the Debtors that are necessary or appropriate to effectuate, implement, or consummate the transactions contemplated by the Plan, the Plan Documents, or this Order, and the agreements created or contemplated by the Plan or this Order, without payment of any recording tax, stamp tax, transfer tax, or similar tax imposed by state or local law.

149. Reservation of Rights of any Governmental Unit, including the United States. Nothing in this Order or the Plan Documents discharges, releases, precludes, or enjoins: (i) any liability to a Governmental Unit that is not a Claim; (ii) only as it relates to Governmental Units, any liability against the Debtors to maintain, monitor, plug and abandon and/or decommission offshore infrastructure as required by law, (iii) any Claim of a Governmental Unit arising on or after the Confirmation Date; (iv) any liability of any entity or person under police or regulatory statutes or regulations to a Governmental Unit as the owner or operator of property or rights to property that such entity owns or operates after the Confirmation Date; and (v) any liability to a Governmental Unit on the part of any non-Debtor (the "Government **Reservations**"). Nor shall anything in the Plan Documents enjoin or otherwise bar a Governmental Unit from asserting or enforcing, outside the Bankruptcy Court, any liability described in the first sentence of this paragraph consistent with its terms, and nothing in the Plan Documents divests any tribunal of any jurisdiction it may have under police or regulatory law to interpret the Plan Documents or to adjudicate any defense asserted under the Plan Documents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Plan Documents, nothing shall affect any of the United States' setoff and recoupment rights, or any of the Debtors', Post-Effective Date Debtors', and/or any successor(s) and assign(s) defenses thereto.

- 151. 150. Nothing in this Order shall alter, waive, or release the Debtors obligations to comply with laws reasonably designed to protect the public health or safety from the hazards to the health, safety, or the environment, including the obligation to perform any decommissioning.
- 152. 151. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in the Plan Documents, no sale, assignment, and/or transfer of any interest in contracts, leases, covenants, operating rights agreements, rights-of-use and easement, and rights-of-way or other interests or agreements with the federal government involving federal land or minerals in effect on or after the Confirmation Date (collectively, the "Federal Leases") may take place pursuant to the Plan Documents absent the consent of the United States, including any of its components, as provided for in applicable non-bankruptcy laws and regulations.
- 153. 152. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in the Plan Documents, the United States will retain and have the right to audit and/or perform any compliance review and, if appropriate, collect from the Debtors, Post-Effective Date Debtors, and/or any successor(s) and assign(s) in full any additional monies owed by the Debtors with respect to any assumed Federal Leases and those rights shall not be adversely affected by these bankruptcy proceedings. Such rights shall be preserved in full as if these Chapter 11 Cases had not occurred. Furthermore, nothing in the Plan Documents shall be interpreted to set Cure Amounts or require the United States to novate, approve or consent to any sale, assignment, and/or transfer of any interests in the Federal Leases except pursuant to existing regulatory requirements and applicable law. The Debtors, Post-Effective Date Debtors, and any successor(s) and assign(s), will retain all defenses and/or rights, other than defenses and/or rights arising from these Chapter 11 Cases, to challenge any such determination; provided, however, that any such challenge, including any challenge associated with these bankruptcy cases, must be raised in the United States'

administrative review process leading to a final agency determination by the Department of the Interior. The audit and/or compliance review period shall remain open for the full statute of limitations period established by the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996, 30 U.S.C. § 1702, et seq.

154. 153. For the avoidance of doubt, only as it relates to the United States, nothing in the Plan Documents releases the Debtors or Post-Effective Date Debtors from any reclamation, plugging and abandonment, or other operational requirement under applicable federal non-bankruptcy law with respect to the Federal Leases or addresses or otherwise affects any decommissioning obligations and financial assurance requirements under the Federal Leases, as determined by the United States, that must be met by the Debtors, Post-Effective Date Debtors, or their successors and assigns on the Federal Leases going forward; *provided, however*, that upon the Effective Date, neither the Credit Bid Purchasers nor any other NewCo Entity shall have any liability to a Governmental Unit or any other third party for Federal Leases, including civil penalties, response costs, decommissioning or any other obligations including those under the Government Settlements, except for those obligations assumed under the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement by Credit Bid Purchasers in connection with the Credit Bid Acquired Interests upon the consent by the Government Unit of the assignment of such Federal Leases in favor of the Credit Bid Purchaser.

155. 154. Effectiveness of All Actions. All actions contemplated by the Plan, including all actions in connection with the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement, the NewCo Organizational Documents, the GUC Warrant Agreement, New Money Warrant Agreement, SLTL Tranche 1 Warrant Agreement, SLTL Tranche 2 Warrant Agreement, the Exit Facility Documents are hereby effective and authorized to be taken on, prior to, or after the Effective

Date, as applicable, under this Order, without further application to, or order of the <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court, or further action by the respective officers, directors, managers, members, or equity holders of the Debtors or the Post-Effective Date Debtors and with the effect that such actions had been deemed taken by unanimous action of such officers, directors, managers, members, or equity holders.

- 156. Valid and Binding. All documents necessary to implement the Plan (including, without limitation, the Credit Bid Purchase Agreement) and all other relevant and necessary documents have been negotiated in good faith and at arm's length and shall, upon completion of documentation and execution, be valid, binding, and enforceable agreements.
- 157. 156. Injunction Against Interference with Plan. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or this Order, upon entry of thethis Order, all holders of Claims or Interests and other parties in interest, along with their respective present and former affiliates, employees, agents, officers, directors, and principals, shall be enjoined from taking any action to interfere with the implementation or consummation of the Plan.
- day following the date of entry of this Order, the Debtors shall serve notice of entry of this Order pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002(f)(7), 2002(k), and 3020(c) on all creditors and interest holders, the U.S. Trustee, and other parties in interest, by causing notice of entry of this Order (the "Notice of Confirmation"), to be delivered to such parties by first-class mail, postage prepaid. The Debtors shall also post the Notice of Confirmation on the website maintained by the Solicitation Agent, at https://cases.primeclerk.com/fieldwoodenergy/ (the "Case Website"). The notice described herein is adequate under the circumstances, and no other or further notice is necessary.

- Effective Date, the Debtors shall serve notice of the Effective Date on all creditors and interest holders, the U.S. Trustee, and other parties in interest, by causing notice of the Effective Date in the form annexed hereto as **Exhibit BC** ("**Notice of Effective Date**") to be delivered to such parties by first-class mail, postage prepaid. The Debtors shall also post the Notice of Effective Date on the Case Website. The Notice of Effective Date shall include notice of the deadline for (a) filing proofs of claim arising out of rejection of executory contracts upon the Effective Date, and (b) filing administrative expense claims.
- 160. 159. Retention of Jurisdiction. Pursuant to sections 105(a) and 1142 of the Bankruptcy Code, this except as set forth in paragraph 149 of this Order, this Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan, and the implementation of this Order, including, without limitation, those matters set forth in Section 11 of the Plan.
- 161. 160. Payment of Statutory Fees. On the Effective Date and thereafter as may be required, the Debtors or the Post-Effective Date Debtors, as applicable, shall pay all fees incurred pursuant to § 1930 of title 28 of the United States Code, together with interest, if any, pursuant to § 3717 of title 31 of the United States Code for each Debtor's case, or until such time as a final decree is entered closing a particular Debtor's case, a Final Order converting such Debtor's case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code is entered or a Final Order dismissing such Debtor's case is entered.
- <u>162.</u> <u>161.</u> <u>Documents, Mortgages, and Instruments</u>. Each federal, state, commonwealth, local, foreign, or other governmental agency is hereby authorized to accept any

and all documents, mortgages, and instruments necessary or appropriate to effectuate, implement or consummate the transactions contemplated by the Plan.

- <u>163.</u> <u>162.</u> <u>Activities in Anticipation of the Effective Date</u>. The Debtors are hereby authorized and empowered to take all necessary steps, and pay all related expenses, in anticipation of the Effective Date, including, without limitation, effectuating the transactions contemplated by the Plan and this Order.
- <u>164.</u> <u>163. Substantial Consummation</u>. On the Effective Date, the Plan shall be deemed to be substantially consummated pursuant to sections 1101 and 1127(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 165. 164. Severability. This Order shall constitute a judicial determination and shall provide that each term and provision of the Plan, as it may be amended in accordance with Section 12.5 of the Plan, is (a) valid and enforceable pursuant to its terms, (b) integral to the Plan and may not be deleted or amended other than in accordance with Section 12.5 of the Plan, and (c) non-severable and mutually dependent.
- 166. 165. Immediate Binding Effect. To the fullest extent permitted under the Bankruptcy Code and other applicable nonbankruptcy law on or after entry of this Order and subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date, the terms of the Plan (including the exhibits and schedules thereto and all documents and agreements executed pursuant thereto or in connection therewith), the Plan Supplements, and this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable and shall bind the Post-Effective Date Debtors, the Released Parties, the Exculpated Parties, all holders of Claims and Interests (irrespective of whether such Claims or Interests are impaired under the Plan or whether the holders of such Claims or Interests accepted or are deemed to have accepted the Plan), any other person giving, acquiring, or receiving property under the Plan, any and all non-Debtor parties to executory contracts and unexpired leases with any of the Debtors,

any other party in interest in the Chapter 11 Cases, and the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, if any, of any of the foregoing. On the Effective Date, all settlements, compromises, releases (including, without limitation, the releases set forth in Sections 10.7 of the Plan), waivers, discharges, exculpations, and injunctions set forth in the Plan shall be effective and binding on Persons who may have had standing to assert any settled, compromised, released, waived, discharged, exculpated, or enjoined Causes of Action after the Effective Date.

167. 166. The Exculpation set forth in section 10.8 of the Plan is hereby approved entirely with respect to each of the Exculpated Parties pursuant to sections 105, 1123(b)(3), and 1123(b)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code. The scope of the Exculpation, in respect of the time period or actions covered, shall be construed in accordance with *In re Pacific Lumber Co.*, 584 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2009). The <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to determine the scope of the Exculpation.

<u>168.</u> <u>167. Conflicts Between Order and the Plan</u>. To the extent of any inconsistency between the provisions of the Plan and this Order, the terms and provisions contained in this Order shall govern. The provisions of this Order are integrated with each other and are nonseverable and mutually dependent unless expressly stated by further order of this <u>Bankruptcy</u> Court.

168. <u>Stay of Confirmation</u>. The requirements under Bankruptey Rule 3020(e) that an order confirming a plan is stayed until the expiration of 14 days after entry of the order are hereby waived. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall not be stayed pursuant to Bankruptey Rules 3020(e), 6004(g), 6006(d), or 7062.

## Exhibit A

Plan

## Exhibit B

Apache-Surety Sureties Term Sheet

## Exhibit C

Notice of Effective Date

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